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GBA corporations get ₹488.56 crore

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The State government has ordered the release of ₹488.56 crore for the five newly formed corporations within the GBA, with West Corporation receiving the largest share of the funds and East Corporation getting the least. » PAGE 6

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Trump slaps tariffs on drugs, trucks, furniture

The new tariffs, including 100% duties on branded drugs and 25% on heavy-duty trucks, take effect Oct. 1; Trump justifies move as response to large-scale 'flooding' of such goods into U.S.

Reuters
WASHINGTON

More pain points

President Trump slapped fresh tariffs on specific sectors after imposing sweeping global tariffs

100%	25%	30-35%
tariff on any branded or patented pharmaceutical product unless the firm is building a plant in U.S.	tariff on heavy-duty trucks; key exporters include Mexico, Canada, Japan, Germany, Finland	tariffs on household furniture — kitchen cabinets, bathroom vanities, and upholstered furniture

U.S. President Donald Trump on Thursday unveiled a new round of punishing tariffs on a broad range of imported goods in U.S., including 100% duties on branded drugs and 25% tariffs on heavy-duty trucks, set to take effect next week.

The announcements, made on Truth Social, did not include details about whether the new levies would apply on top of national tariffs or whether economies with trade deals such as the EU and Japan would be exempted.

Mr. Trump also said he would start charging a 50% tariff on kitchen cabinets and bathroom vanities and a 30% tariff on upholstered furniture, with all the new duties to take effect from October 1.

"The reason for this is the large scale "FLOODING" of these products into the U.S. by other outside Countries," Mr. Trump said on Truth Social.

The new actions are seen as part of the Trump administration's shift to better-established legal authorities for its tariff actions, given the risks associated with a case before the Supreme Court on the legality of his sweeping global tariffs.

Tariff on all imports

The new 100% tariff on any branded pharmaceutical product will apply to all imports unless the company has already broken ground on building a manufacturing plant in the U.S., Mr. Trump said.

The Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, an industry group, said companies "continue to announce hundreds of billions in new U.S. investments. Tariffs risk those plans."

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Wangchuk detained under NSA two days after violence in Leh

Peerzada Ashiq
SRINAGAR

Sonam Wangchuk, who was spearheading a mass agitation demanding Statehood and Sixth Schedule status for the Union Territory of Ladakh, was detained under the provisions of the National Security Act (NSA) on Friday, two days after police action against violent protests in Leh left four civilians dead. Internet services in Leh were suspended after his detention.

The Leh Apex Body (LAB), an amalgam of socio-religious and political organisations, stressed that Mr. Wangchuk had not played any role in the violence on Wednesday. The LAB plans to send a delegation to Delhi on September 29 in a bid to resume talks on Statehood demands with the Centre.

Mr. Wangchuk, 59, was detained by a police team led by Ladakh Director General of Police (DGP) S.D. Jamwal, according to official sources.

Sonam Wangchuk speaks after protests for Statehood erupted in Leh, Ladakh. PTI

Gitanjali Angmo, Mr. Wangchuk's wife, told *The Hindu* that she was informed that Mr. Wangchuk was being flown to Jodhpur in Rajasthan. She said that a legal response would be prepared once the detention order is received.

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Man gets death for rape, murder of minor

The Hindu Bureau
BELAGAVI

A Belagavi court, which found a 28-year-old man guilty of rape and murder of an eight-year-old girl from a village in the district, has sentenced him to death.

On Friday, Judge C.M. Pushpalatha of the Belagavi District POCSO Act Court held Bharatesh Ravasabha Mirji of Paramanandwadi village in Raibag taluk guilty of rape and murder committed in 2019.

The offender took the victim home as she was returning from a shop and raped her.

He then strangled her and dropped her body in a well.

The police found vital clue with the help of Suja, a sniffer dog, which traced the girl's steps from the shop to the crime spot and the well.

Exemplary performance

Celebrating excellence: Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Hardeep Singh Puri presents the Changemaker of the Year Award to DRDO D-G Raja Babu Ummalaneni during the businessline Changemaker Awards in Mumbai on Friday. EMMANUAL YOGINI (REPORT: PAGE 17)

Caste survey: CM asks officials to expedite work

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

With tardy progress in the last four days in the Karnataka government's ambitious Social and Educational Survey owing to technical glitches, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah instructed all Deputy Commissioners and CEOs of zilla panchayats to expedite the work.

The Chief Minister said that the initial technical glitches had been resolved. "You must achieve a daily progress rate of at least 10% to meet the target," he said on Friday.

Noting the goal of covering all 1.43 crore families in Karnataka, he said only 2.76 lakh families had been surveyed so far, which constituted less than 2% of the total. Regional commissioners and district incharge secretaries had been instructed to review the progress of the survey and be actively involved in the work.

The survey commenced on September 22 and would be completed on October 7. He ruled out extending the deadline, and attributed the slow start to technical glitches.

The survey, he said, commenced in parts of Bengaluru on Friday. The Chief Minister instructed officials to ensure enumeration started without delay in the GBA area, which had nearly 50 lakh households.

Chief Secretary Shalini Rajneesh, Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar and Ministers participated in the meeting.

During a videoconference with DCs, CEOs and senior officials, Mr. Siddaramaiah said that if technical glitches arose in districts, officials should seek the support of IT experts in various departments.

Mr.Siddaramaiah warned that legal action would be initiated against government officials and employees for negligence in the survey.

Employees reluctant to carry out survey

Mr. Siddaramaiah instructed DCs and CEOs to review the progress of the target every day. The Revenue Department, Panchayat Raj Department and the Urban Local Bodies should work in coordination, he added.

"The survey is slow in some districts, and work should be accelerated," he said.

Teachers to be hired

The Chief Minister instructed DCs and CEOs to hire the services of teachers from aided schools, if necessary. The district incharge ministers were told to monitor the progress.

A total of 1,20,728 enumerators have been assigned for the survey work. A total of 1,22,085 census blocks have been identified. The survey is scheduled for completion on October 7.

All teachers assigned for the survey had been told to complete the work within the stipulated time. "No teacher should show disobedience to the survey work. This is a government job, and they should not neglect their duties. Action should be taken against negligent enumerators," the Chief Minister cautioned.

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Survey from Oct. 8 in GBA limits?

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka government's Social and Educational Survey, which commenced on September 22 in rest of Karnataka, is expected to start in Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) limits from October 8, sources told to *The Hindu*.

The State Cabinet has delegated authority to the Chief Commissioner of the GBA to take disciplinary action, including suspension, against officers and employees who fail to perform their duties during the Social and Educational Survey, including missing required training sessions.

Study says astronauts with diabetes can undertake space missions

Hemanth C.S.
BENGALURU

In a study conducted during the recent Axiom-4 (Ax-4) mission, of which Indian astronaut Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla was a part, it has been revealed that astronauts with diabetes can undertake space missions.

On Friday, Axiom Space, along with Burjeel Holdings, released the preliminary results of the 'Suite Ride' research conducted during the Ax-4 mission.

"The research concluded that everyday diabetes tools used by millions on Earth can be used comprehensively to provide end-to-end diabetes monitoring from space to the ground and back to space – a breakthrough in opening the door to future astronauts with diabetes and providing new solutions in remote healthcare," Axiom Space said.

Axiom-4 crew performed over 60 research activities and 23 outreach events during the mission ANI

Burjeel Holdings is a healthcare services provider in the UAE, and building on these findings, it also announced its ambition of working towards sending the first astronaut with diabetes to space. Axiom Space and Burjeel Holdings had joined hands to conduct the research during the Ax-4 mission at International Space Station.

"Sending up a suite of remote care capabilities, the Suite Ride initiative explored how to manage diabetes in space, marking a meaningful step towards making spaceflight accessible for those with historically disqualifying conditions," Axiom Space said.

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Festive grandeur

Artistic reverence: A Durga Puja pandal at Haridevpur 41 Pally in south Kolkata on Friday. DEBASISH BHADURI

Amit Shah gives call for change of govt. in Bengal at Durga Puja inauguration

Shiv Sahay Singh
KOLKATA

Inaugurating Durga Puja pandals in Kolkata, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday said that he prayed to the Goddess that the upcoming West Bengal elections bring a government that can build 'Sonar Bangla' (golden Bengal).

"I have prayed to Maa Durga that after this election, a government should be formed that can build a 'Sonar Bangla' (golden Bengal). So that our Bengal should once again become safe, prosperous, peaceful and abundant and we should be able to build a Bengal that Kavi Guru Rabindranath Tagore had envisioned," Mr. Shah said.

He inaugurated the Durga Puja pandal of Santosh Mitra Square, set up under the theme 'Operation Sindoor', and the pandal of Paschim Banga Sanskriti Mancha at the Eastern Zonal Cultural Centre in Salt Lake. He also visited Kalighat Kali temple.

His visit comes amid the Trinamool Congress's efforts to make the most of the festival season, with the State government rolling out ₹1.10 lakh to each community puja and the Chief Minister setting for herself the task of inaugurating 3,000 Durga Pujas. Mr. Shah's visit is also an attempt to counter the Trinamool Congress's "anti-Bengali" jibe at the BJP.

Mr. Shah also paid tributes to educationist and social reformer Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar on his 205th birth anniversary on Friday. "No one can forget what Vidyasagarji did for education, not only in Bengal but throughout the country during the colonial era. He dedicated his entire life to the Bengali language, the State's culture and the education of women," he said.

Soon, the Trinamool Congress targeted him saying that the idol of Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar was vandalised in Kolkata in May 2019 during Mr. Shah's roadshow.

"Even today, @BJP4India's marauders continue their brazen attempts to trample upon Bengal's pride. The people of Bengal are not deceived by this hollow performance of "love for Bengal"," the party said on social media.

A balanced approach on firecrackers needed: SC

It warns that a total ban could lead to mafia control; CJI stresses need for a policy that protects both the right to livelihood of workers in firecracker industry and the right to clean environment

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday said a complete ban on firecrackers would open the field for the mafia to capture the industry and illegally peddle their wares to the gullible public.

A Bench headed by Chief Justice of India B.R. Gavai referred to how a total ban on mining in Bihar had led to the mafia moving in.

"As we have experienced in the past, a complete ban cannot be implemented," Chief Justice Gavai observed on the futility of trying to exert an iron-handed and totalitarian approach against the firecracker industry which employs thousands of workers.

The top court, in a virtual turnaround, called for a "balanced approach" – a policy that would ensure that the right to earn a livelihood in the firecracker industry would co-exist with the right to a clean environment without suffering from the after-effects of air pollution.

The Bench directed the Environment Ministry to find a solution that would weigh in all the considerations. The court has been asked to hear out all the stakeholders, including firecracker manufacturers and sellers.

Legal lifeline: The top court allowed manufacturers, who have been certified by NEERI and PESO to produce green crackers, to continue their operations. SHIV KUMAR PUSHPAKAR

Green crackers allowed

Meanwhile, the court allowed manufacturers, who have been certified by NEERI and PESO to produce green crackers, to continue their operations. The court has, however, directed these manufacturers to provide an undertaking that they would not sell their products in the prohibited areas until further orders.

In the previous hearing on September 12, the CJI had mooted the need to frame and implement a uniform policy for the manufacture, sale and use of firecrackers across the country. "If firecrackers have to be banned, it has to be done for the entire country... Also the poor who are dependent on this industry have to be looked into," Chief Justice Gavai had observed.

Chief Justice Gavai had asked why citizens residing in other parts of the country should not be accorded the same relief from air pollution as the "elite" of the national capital city.

The court had confirmed an "all-pervasive, permanent" ban on the sale, production and manufacture of firecrackers in Delhi and National Capital Regions (NCR) in April 2025. The top court had at that point of time found such a drastic step "absolutely necessary" to protect citizens' right to clean air.

"There is a misconception that air pollution is only a problem for the elite. It is actually the people on the streets who suffer. The construction labourers and the daily wagers..." senior advocate Aparajita Singh, the amicus curiae in the case, had said.

Senior advocate K. Parameshwar, appearing for the firecracker industry, had said their licences are being revoked due to a top court confirmation of a complete ban on firecrackers in Delhi and the National Capital Region (NCR) in April 2025.

Some of these licences were valid till 2028.

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Fists of fury:
how gentle Jaismine stoked her inner fire to conquer the world stage

The 24-year-old boxer worked against her natural personality, finding the competitive aggression within her to clinch gold at the World Championships. The triumph repaired her self-belief, which had been bruised after disappointing performances at the Asian Games and the Olympics

Y.B. Sarangi

For Jaismine Lamboria, the road to redemption took two years.

The boxer had dramatically lost in the second round of a women's 60kg quarterfinal bout in the Hangzhou Asian Games, held in 2023, squandering a medal and an Olympic quota place in one go. Winning the World title, after upsetting Paris Olympics silver medallist Julia Szeremeta in the women's 57kg final in Liverpool, helped Jaismine repair her bruised self-belief.

Lifting her game

Following her Asian Games debacle, Jaismine – an Asian Championships and Commonwealth Games bronze medallist – fought back to reclaim the women's 57kg slot for India in the Paris Olympics after Parveen Hooda was suspended over a doping issue. However, Jaismine's performance in Paris was not up to the mark, and it prompted the Bhiwani girl to work with grit and lift her game. Her efforts paid off in Liverpool.

Jaismine looks back at those difficult days bravely. "After winning the first round 5-0, losing the bout with a RSC [referee stops contest] decision in the second at the Asian Games was a sad moment. I was not able to focus properly for a couple of months. Sometimes, I was not able to sleep properly. I had a lot of regrets. I have learnt from the Asian Games that no matter whether you win or lose, you should always try to improve," she said.

> Now I can easily turn aggressive during a fight. Later, I can return to my normal self. If I have to change my nature to do well in boxing, then so be it
>
> **JAISMINE**

Her quest for improvement took a noticeable turn after the Paris Olympics.

"I took a 10-day break after the Paris Olympics. Then I trained with my coaches Chhote Lal and Mohammed Aitesamuddin at the Army Sports Institute (ASI) in Pune for seven-eight months. They planned everything for me, and put me under pressure. I became the National champion. We saw the impact of that in the World Cup and in the World Championships as well.

"The ASI training was very impactful. After coming to the National camp, I was made to continue with that. We were made to understand our mistakes and how we should train to rectify those. I pushed myself on a daily basis – whether I was happy or sad.

"I worked a lot on my endurance and strength. I worked on my mental health with Vikrant Mahajan as well and learnt a lot. He motivated me well." The biggest challenge for the gentle-natured Jaismine, a long-range counterpunching southpaw, was to go against her calm, amiable personality and cultivate aggression.

"I lost all my major events because of my nature, that fire is there inside me. I regret several of my past fights. I think I could have done a little better in those and I should not reduce my potential because of this.

"I changed my mind and decided that I would do whatever it took to improve my game. Now I can easily turn aggressive during a fight. Later, I can return to my normal self. If I have to change my nature to do well in boxing, then so be it."

Chhote Lal, the talent scout who played a crucial role in recruiting the lanky Jaismine as the first female boxer in the Indian Army, detailed the nature of his ward's training at the ASI.

"We told her, 'Keep the opposition under pressure all the time and whenever the rival gives an opportunity, grab it to land your counters.' This way she could stick to her strength. It is much different from making mindless attacks."

Sharp focus

"There was a lot of stress on strength training and feinting. She used to get tired as she needed to keep moving. There was a lot of work on explosive punches. I made her practise 15 repetitions of one punch for five sets. And there are six punches. Sometimes she used to cry, but never wavered in her focus. Even during her training with male boxers, she never lost her focus," said Chhote Lal, raving about Jaismine's technical game.

In order to develop the right kind of game-time attitude, Chhote Lal – who once trained six-time World champion M.C. Mary Kom – said, "Jaismine was asked to treat the rival inside the ring as her biggest enemy and relax outside the ring."

> Jaismine was asked to treat the rival inside the ring as her biggest enemy and relax outside the ring
>
> **CHHOTE LAL**
> Coach

Rooted: Jaismine's family in Bhiwani has been involved with boxing for generations. Her performance at the World Championships was a source of great pride for her parents and relatives. PHOTO CREDIT: ANI VIDEO GRAB

National head coach D. Chandralal's methods complemented Jaismine's training at the ASI. "She is very tender at heart and always wears a smile. She never says no to any work assigned to her. She has a good ability to move clockwise and anti-clockwise. But she needed to work on her muscles and power. She was made aware of her drawbacks, such as waiting too long for the opponent to attack and slow starts. She worked on those areas," said Chandralal.

Jaismine gave a good account of her improved game as she grew in confidence through the World Championships and showcased her positive body language.

She maintained an impressive level throughout the event, which was conducted for the first time under the banner of the new international federation, World Boxing.

"We had a strategy that we must play our own game. We were made to believe that our game was the best and we just needed to maintain our range and listen to the command that comes [from the coaches]. In the final, I thought there was nothing to lose and everything to gain," said Jaismine.

"At this level, the one who has more confidence wins. I just wanted to show myself how much confidence I had in myself. I wanted to prove myself and make India proud."

Jaismine's focus now shifts to the next two targets – the Commonwealth Games and the Asian Games next year.

"I will keep my focus and try to improve myself both mentally and physically. I will work smartly. The Olympics [in 2028] is also one of the targets."

As the great granddaughter of the iconic Captain Hawa Singh, a two-time Asian Games gold medallist, Jaismine was delighted that two of her extended family, including Hawa Singh's granddaughter Nupur Sheoran (who landed a silver in the +80kg), climbed the Worlds podium.

Honouring a legacy

"It's a matter of pride. We are a family. And Nupur didi has kept up that legacy very well," said Jaismine, one of the four Indian medallists, which include gold winner Minakshi Hooda (48kg) and bronze medallist Pooja Rani (80kg), at the elite event.

Amid the post-Liverpool celebratory mood in her family and in Bhiwani, which is home to three of the four Worlds medallists, it was not lost on Jaismine and Chhote Lal that continuous endeavour is the only way to build on the 24-year-old's recent success at other high-level competitions in the coming years.

From redemption, Jaismine would love to take the road to reaffirmation.

STACKING UP

ATP Men's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Carlos Alcaraz	22	11,540	20
2	Jannik Sinner	24	10,780	17
3	Alexander Zverev	28	5,930	23
4	Novak Djokovic	38	4,830	19
5	Taylor Fritz	27	4,675	22
6	Ben Shelton	22	4,280	23
7	Jack Draper	23	3,690	17
8	Alex de Minaur	26	3,545	23
9	Lorenzo Musetti	23	3,505	20
10	Karen Khachanov	29	3,280	25
11	Holger Rune	22	3,090	22
12	Casper Ruud	26	2,755	23
13	Felix Auger-Aliassime	25	2,755	28
14	Andrey Rublev	27	2,610	28
15	Tommy Paul	28	2,510	21

Top Indians ▶

Sumit Nagal
Rank 290 ▲ No change

Aryan Shah
Rank 401 ▲ No change

WTA Women's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Aryna Sabalenka	27	11,225	19
2	Iga Swiatek	24	8,433	17
3	Coco Gauff	21	7,873	20
4	Amanda Anisimova	24	5,109	21
5	Mirra Andreeva	18	4,793	19
6	Madison Keys	30	4,579	19
7	Jessica Pegula	31	4,383	22
8	Jasmine Paolini	29	4,006	19
9	Qinwen Zheng	22	4,003	16
10	Elena Rybakina	26	3,833	21
11	Ekaterina Alexandrova	30	3,253	25
12	Clara Tauson	22	2,775	24
13	Elina Svitolina	31	2,606	16
14	Naomi Osaka	27	2,489	16
15	Karolina Muchova	29	2,488	16

Top Indians ▶

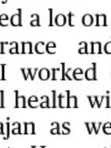
Sahaja Yamalapalli
Rank 347 ▼ 8 spots

Shrivalli Bhamidipaty
Rank 374 ▼ 19 spots

F1 Drivers' standings

#	Driver	Team	Points	Wins
1	Oscar Piastri	McLaren	324	7
2	Lando Norris	McLaren	299	5
3	Max Verstappen	Red Bull	255	4
4	George Russell	Mercedes	212	1
5	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari	165	0
6	Lewis Hamilton	Ferrari	121	0
7	Kimi Antonelli	Mercedes	78	0
8	Alexander Albon	Williams	70	0
9	Isack Hadjar	Racing Bulls	39	0
10	Nico Hulkenberg	Kick Sauber	37	0
11	Lance Stroll	Aston Martin	32	0
12	Carlos Sainz	Williams	31	0
13	Liam Lawson	Racing Bulls	30	0
14	Fernando Alonso	Aston Martin	30	0
15	Esteban Ocon	Haas	28	0
16	Pierre Gasly	Alpine	20	0
17	Yuki Tsunoda	Red Bull	20	0
18	Gabriel Bortoleto	Kick Sauber	18	0
19	Oliver Bearman	Haas	16	0
20	Franco Colapinto	Alpine	0	0

Oscar Piastri



Lando Norris

F1 Constructors' standings

Pos	Team	Points	Wins
1	McLaren	623	12
2	Mercedes	290	1
3	Ferrari	286	0
4	Red Bull	272	4
5	Williams	101	0
6	Racing Bulls	72	0
7	Aston Martin	62	0
8	Kick Sauber	55	0
9	Haas	44	0
10	Alpine	20	0

Badminton Men's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	Shi Yu Qi	1,09,117	11
2	Anders Antonsen	95,313	16
3	Kunlavut Vitidsarn	95,079	19
4	Li Shi Feng	84,228	19
5	Chou Tien Chen	80,149	24
6	Jonatan Christie	73,744	16
7	Alex Lanier	71,231	15
8	Christo Popov	67,457	19
9	Loh Kean Yew	66,719	17
10	Kodai Naraoka	65,094	20
11	Weng Hong Yang	64,000	17
12	Lin Chun-Yi	60,270	16
13	Kenta Nishimoto	58,442	21
14	Toma Junior Popov	56,731	19
15	Lu Guang Zu	56,360	18

Top Indians ▶

Lakshya Sen
Rank 18

Ayush Shetty
Rank 27

Badminton Women's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	An Se Young	1,11,270	13
2	Wang Zhi Yi	1,06,862	18
3	Han Yue	92,850	17
4	Akane Yamaguchi	90,464	13
5	Chen Yu Fei	88,835	14
6	Pornpawee Chochuwong	71,488	20
7	Gregoria Mariska Tunjung	68,360	12
8	Putri Kusuma Wardani	67,450	19
9	Ratchanok Intanon	62,464	19
10	Tomoka Miyazaki	62,284	21
11	Sim Yu Jin	60,559	15
12	Supanida Katethong	58,827	15
13	P.V. Sindhu	57,964	18
14	Gao Fang Jie	54,820	14
15	Michelle Li	54,740	20

Top Indians ▶

P.V. Sindhu
Rank 13

Unnati Hooda
Rank 31

Test Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Joe Root	908	932
2	Harry Brook	868	898
3	Kane Williamson	858	919
4	Steve Smith	816	947
5	Yashasvi Jaiswal	792	858
6	Temba Bavuma	790	806
7	Kamindu Mendis	781	784
8	Rishabh Pant	768	801
9	Daryl Mitchell	748	807
10	Ben Duckett	747	787

Test Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Jasprit Bumrah	889	908
2	Kagiso Rabada	851	902
3	Matt Henry	846	846
4	Pat Cummins	838	914
5	Josh Hazlewood	815	864
6	Noman Ali	806	806
7	Scott Boland	784	784
8	Nathan Lyon	769	812
9	Marco Jansen	767	803
10	Mitchell Starc	766	807

ODI Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Shubman Gill	784	847
2	Rohit Sharma	756	882
3	Babar Azam	739	898
4	Virat Kohli	736	909
5	Daryl Mitchell	720	751
6	Charith Asalanka	716	725
7	Harry Tector	708	767
8	Shreyas Iyer	704	710
9	Shai Hope	699	802
10	Ibrahim Zadran	676	693

ODI Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Keshav Maharaj	690	741
2	Maheesh Theekshana	659	686
3	Jofra Archer	654	654
4	Kuldeep Yadav	650	761
5	Bernard Scholtz	645	648
6	Rashid Khan	640	799
7	Mitchell Santner	637	657
8	Adil Rashid	628	675
9	Matt Henry	622	691
10	Ravindra Jadeja	616	733

T20I Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Abhishek Sharma	907	907
2	Philip Salt	844	881
3	Tilak Varma	791	845
4	Jos Buttler	785	794
5	Travis Head	771	885
6	Suryakumar Yadav	729	912
7	Pathum Nissanka	728	751
8	Tim Seifert	725	727
9	Kusal Perera	676	786
10	Dewald Brewis	674	680

T20I Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Varun Chakravarthy	747	747
2	Jacob Duffy	717	750
3	Akeal Hosein	707	714
4	Abrar Ahmed	703	703
5	Adam Zampa	700	746
6	Adil Rashid	689	747
6	Wanindu Hasaranga	689	809
8	Nuwan Thushara	686	714
9	Mustafizur Rahman	660	718
9	Rashid Khan	660	828

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Deputy Chief Minister's portfolios modified

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With the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) coming into existence, the portfolios of Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar have been modified.

As per the notification issued by the Raj Bhavan, the modified portfolios of Mr. Shivakumar are: Major and Medium Irrigation, Bengaluru Urban Development (connected to Bengaluru Town Planning, GBA, and five city corporations coming under the GBA) and all the urban local bodies coming under Bengaluru Urban district (except service matters), BDA, BWSSB, BMRDA and BMRCL. Mr. Shivakumar earlier did not have the charge of urban local bodies in Bengaluru Urban District.

The Governor modified the portfolios and issued the notification following the advice of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah.

Lokayukta's surprise visit exposes lapses at Kidwai cancer hospital

Lokayukta B.S. Patil and his team during a surprise inspection at Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology on Friday. Mr. Patil spoke with patients and reviewed the hospital's operations.

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The Karnataka Lokayukta on Friday launched a *suo motu* investigation into alleged mismanagement, irregularities, and malpractice at the State-run Kidwai Memorial Cancer Hospital after receiving an anonymous complaint.

Observing that an advance notice to hospital authorities could result in evidence being destroyed, Lokayukta B.S. Patil went for a surprise check.

During his inspection, several lapses came to light. The hospital is being managed by an IAS officer holding an additional charge as the administrative head, who visits only once a week. The shortage of doctors and support staff was flagged as a serious concern given the patient load.

At the Central Drug Store, officials revealed that 40% of drug costs are borne by the State government and 60% by the Centre, making high-cost medicines accessible at heavily subsidised rates.

However, patients complained that several prescribed medicines, including Enzalutamide 160 mg and Exylete, were not available in the hospital pharmacy.

'Submit report'

Some staff were allegedly directing patients to private medical stores to purchase these drugs.

The Lokayukta directed the hospital director to take immediate action against such practices and submit a compliance report.

Arun Kumar of the Paediatric Department informed the Lokayukta that 618 new cancer cases had been registered in the past year, with a recovery rate of 60% to 65%.

The hospital has also performed 15 successful bone marrow transplants in the last 18 months, covering 30 children and 85 adults, Mr. Kumar said.

Mr. Patil ordered the inspection team to conduct a department-wide audit and prepare a detailed report on the irregularities reported at the hospital.

Festive Loans: The Financial Cheer

This festive season could be the perfect time to buy your dream home or car

With the vibrant celebrations of Dussehra and Diwali on the horizon, it's not only homes and streets that are being adorned with lights and decorations – banks are also unveiling attractive offers.

This season is financially beneficial for people wishing to purchase a new home, a car, or even a two-wheeler. It is traditionally seen as an auspicious time to make large purchases. With reduced interest rates and special offers, banks are doing everything they can to fulfil your festive fantasies.

It goes without saying that consumers are more likely to invest in long-term assets like real estate or automobiles over the festive season. Banks want to make this simpler on your wallet, whether you're upgrading from a two-wheeler to a stylish automobile or buying that family home you've been admiring. For a brief time, many major banks provide steep discounts on their home loan and auto loan interest rates, making this period the perfect time to act.

For example, a number of prominent banks have said that they will be offering lower interest rates on house loans during Dussehra, and this trend is anticipated to persist until Diwali. This might be the ideal time to act. Although purchasing a home can be an intimidating process, the reduced interest rates over this season may alleviate some of the financial strain. Similarly, there are attractive discounts in auto loans for both two-wheelers and four-wheelers, which makes it simpler for customers to take possession of their new vehicle.

A Season of Auspicious Investments

The holiday season holds great cultural and religious significance. It is seen as the ideal moment to make a new investment, whether it is a better vehicle to upgrade your lifestyle or the long-awaited move into property. For people contemplating such significant life decisions, the season becomes even more attractive as banks move forward to offer lower interest rates.

Purchasing a house or a vehicle is often a very emotional and personal choice rather than merely a financial one. Festivals lend an even greater sense of significance to these purchases because of their emphasis on prosperity and fresh starts.

Home and Car Loans

Big and small banks alike are competing to provide the most alluring packages. This year, savings on processing costs, longer loan terms, and lower EMIs are among the most sought-after deals. Interest rates on home loans are being lowered from regular rates by certain banks. Vehicle loans are also experiencing reductions, with two-wheeler loans starting at much cheaper rates. Additionally, customers can anticipate unique promotions including expedited loan approvals and extra cashback incentives.

These deals are only available for a short time, so if you've been thinking about buying something, now might be the perfect moment.

Planning Your Festive Purchase

Even with the excitement of lower interest rates and the festive cheer, it's important to approach them with a strategic mindset.

The first step is to familiarize yourself with the loan terms. With multiple banks offering festive deals, comparing offers can help you find the one that best fits your needs. Fortunately, during this time, lenders compete to provide the most attractive options – some may offer reduced rates, while others might include added perks such as zero processing fees, extended tenures, or even cashback rewards, making this festive season an ideal time to make a financially sound investment. This season's offers truly present a win-win scenario, giving you access to attractive financial solutions that ease your borrowing process while helping you achieve your dreams.

Bright Diwali for Buyers

These days, the festive season is more about securing a brighter financial future than they are about buying new outfits, eating sweets, and celebrating. Therefore, this festive season offers the perfect opportunity to turn your aspirations into reality.

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Archbishop for restoring Hindu caste prefixes to Christian community

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Peter Machado

While several Hindu communities had objected to caste prefixes being added to Christian community (such as Brahmana-Christian, Lingayat-Christian, Kuruba-Christian etc.) in the caste list, the Archbishop of Bangalore has asked for their restoration in the published list after the final analysis of the ongoing Social and Educational survey.

The Karnataka Backward Classes Commission had masked 33 such names in the caste list after objections were raised.

Addressing pressperson here on Friday, Archbishop of Bangalore Peter Machado said he was hopeful that the government would restore the omission of certain castes linked to the Christian community in the final analysis. "Deletions, if any, risk denying historical communities their rightful recognition and may cause injustice in accessing welfare schemes. The Church urges the government to take note of these exclusions and ensure fair representation of all Christian communities," he said.

Welcoming the survey, he urged the government to ensure fair representation of all Christian communities. He called on members of the community to "take this survey seriously and responsibly, cooperating in a spirit of civic duty."

Underlining the importance of the survey, the Archbishop said it would help identify the real beneficiaries of the government's economic and social welfare policies.

He called upon the Christian community to cooperate and take the survey seriously, stating that "a fair and complete census is not only a constitutional exercise but also a step towards ensuring justice, equity, and welfare for all communities of Karnataka."

Kodava community confused over how to record religious identity

Darshan Devaiah B.P.
BENGALURU

Officials interact with a family during the Social and Educational Survey. FILE PHOTO

The Kodava community appears to be in a dilemma over how to record their identity in the ongoing Social and Educational Survey being conducted by the government of Karnataka. At the heart of the debate is whether Kodavas should be registered as followers of the Hindu religion or as adherents of a separate 'Kodava' faith.

A section of community leaders have been urging Kodavas to declare 'Kodava' in the caste, language, and religion columns, while another section has been appealing to people to continue identifying themselves as 'Hindu' in religion column.

Paradanda Subramani Kaverappa, president of the Akhila Kodava Samaja, maintained that the community should be recorded as 'Kodava' across all three categories.

"Before the 1941 census, Kodavas were classified as a rare and distinct tribal group. Kodavas do not follow caste divisions, sects, or a formalised religion," he argued.

The small population of Kodavas, which has been shrinking in recent decades, risks losing its unique cultural essence if subsumed within larger communities, he added.

Mr. Kaverappa acknowledged that there are differing viewpoints within the community. A recent meeting convened by the Samaja failed to arrive at a consensus.

He said that the choice ultimately rests with individuals.

"There is no compulsion. Each family can decide for themselves. This survey is only meant to reflect the current social and economic situation of communities to the government," Mr. Kaverappa said.

He clarified that documenting Kodavas under a separate religion would not alter existing practices. "Even if people mention Kodava as their religion, traditional rituals, temple worship, and the influence of Hindu practices will continue as they always have. Our customs have drawn inspiration from Hinduism for generations," he explained.

Mr Kaverappa highlighted concerns among Kodava youth regarding shrinking opportunities. He said recognising Kodava as a distinct category could eventually open doors to benefits, such as reservations.

"This survey could also help establish a record for the future, especially when the Central Government carries out its census. We are encouraging people to document their identity as Kodava, but it is entirely voluntary," he added.

Debate over identity

On the other side of the debate, several leaders from the community have been appealing to Kodavas to continue identifying with Hinduism.

"Our culture reflects Hindu traditions, be it the worship of Naga and Aiyappa deities in our homes and villages, or the celebration of festivals like Tula Sankramana and Puthari, which follow Hindu customs," said A. Manu Muthappa, former president of the Napoklu Kodava Samaja.

Some Kodava families have been holding discussions in their *ainmane* (ancestral homes) on how the religion column should be filled in during the survey.

Mohan Devaiah, a resident of Ponnampet, said, "I have come across several videos from different clans where meetings were convened, and decisions were taken to either mark Hindu or Kodava under the religion category."

Recognition of Kodavas

The Codava National Council (CNC) has launched a campaign urging Kodavas to declare their identity solely as 'Kodava' in all three columns.

CNC president Nandineravanda U. Nachappa said, "This is about cultural survival and legal recognition. Only when the government documents us as Kodava across all categories can we preserve our uniqueness."

Karnataka Backward Classes Commission Chairperson Madhusudan Naik has said that there is not much significance for the religion column in the enumeration in the current survey since religion does not come under the purview of the commission. "We will not be evaluating on the basis of religion, and information is being sought under a broader category," he had said.

'Give location of usage of Aadhaar to police to trace missing person'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka.

Though the High Court of Karnataka found no fault with the action of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) in rejecting the plea of a man for providing Aadhaar data to the police to trace his elder son, missing since 2019, the court directed the authority to issue details of location of use of his Aadhaar from the time of filing of the missing complaint till date to the Hubballi-Dharwad police to probe the case.

Justice Suraj Govindaraj issued the direction for sharing only location of use of Aadhaar by the petitioner's missing son to the police after noticing that certain data of Aadhaar could be disclosed only on the direction given by a High Court as per Section 33(1) of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016.

The court passed the order on the petition filed by Krishnamurthy, a resident of Hubballi whose son, Vijay K.S, went missing in December 2019 during apprenticeship in a technological servicing company.

Making it clear that apart from the location of usage of Aadhaar of the petitioner's son no other details shall be furnished, the court said the police should not share such details/information with anyone else, apart from that required for the purposes of investigation.

Questions raised over the timing of caste survey

Officials say many families have left for their native places for Dasara vacation; govt. employees' association leader points out that the exercise is very complex and faces many hurdles

Nagesh Prabhu
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Teachers have been posted to distant places and their accommodation and survey of houses has become a Herculean task. K. MURALI KUMAR

As schools and colleges are closed for Dasara holidays and several families have left to their native places, many government employees have questioned the timing and number of days scheduled for conducting the mammoth Social and Educational Survey in Karnataka, especially in Bengaluru city.

The survey commenced from September 22 and is set to go on till October 7.

Senior government officials and the Karnataka State Government Employees' Association (KSGEA) pointed out that many families had already left Bengaluru and more were going to leave by this weekend.

Many schools and colleges declared holidays after completion of the mid-term examinations and semesters in colleges.

String of holidays

In Bengaluru, an office-bearer of an apartment association said many residents had left to their native places as September 27 (Saturday), September 28 (Sunday) and October 1 (Ayudha Pooja) and 2 (Gandhi Jayanti/Vijayadashami) are holidays. Many government and private sector employees are on leave on September 29 and 30 to get almost a week-long vacation.

Speaking to *The Hindu*, government employees said they were not against the survey and that they were ready to do it. "But the hurried declaration of dates and software system adopted for the survey is problematic," said an office-bearer of the KSGEA.

Problems

KSGEA president C.S. Shadakshari said, "The survey is very complex and there are many hurdles in the survey system. The server is terribly slow, and delay in receiving OTP in the online survey has made the work of the enumerators tough. For instance, a survey of a house consisting of 10 members is taking nearly a half a day." Enumerators have to fill answers to 60 questions both in paper as well as in digital mode.

Moreover, teachers have been posted in distant places and their accommodation and survey of houses has become a Herculean task. Mr. Shadakshari, who met Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Thursday and briefed him about the problems, said the task would take two months and not two weeks. The government's image would take a beating if the survey was conducted without proper preparations, he said.

Besides suspension from the service and disciplinary action, government employees had been warned that FIR would be registered under Section 233 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) if they abstained from the survey work.

The Greater Bengaluru Authority has issued a circular and directed employees of various departments to attend a training session on September 29 in two batchesfor conducting the survey in Bengaluru..

The circular instructs enumerators for mandatory certification of Aadhaar card of the people aged above six years.

Honorarium fixed for enumerators

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The State government has fixed an honorarium of ₹10,000 for each supervisor and ₹5,000 per enumerator for conducting the social and educational survey in Karnataka from September 22 to October 7.

Besides ₹5,000, each enumerator would also be given ₹100 per house covered under the survey, said a notification issued here on Friday.

A total of 1,20,728 enumerators and supervisors are participating in the survey, except in the Greater Bengaluru Authority area.

The government has released ₹60.36 crore for payment of honorarium in the first phase.

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India is a team with momentum at the moment — that's really important heading into a big event

Former Australia captain Rachael Haynes opens up in this conversation about the upcoming World Cup, her country's dominance of women's cricket, the evolution of the game in her time and her experience of coaching Gujarat Giants in the inaugural edition of the Women's Premier League

INTERVIEW

Rachael Haynes

P.K. Ajith Kumar

Rachael Haynes belongs to an extraordinary league of women that made the Australian cricket team the greatest in history. She was the first player to retire from that golden generation. The 38-year-old is a winner of two ODI and four T20I World Cups. After making 98 on her Test debut at No. 7 against England at Worcester in 2009, the left-hander moved up the order. She served the Australian top-order with distinction for the best part of a decade. She was also a brilliant fielder who came up with some stunning catches. She captained Australia during the team's successful defence of the Ashes in 2017. Excerpts from an exclusive interview Haynes gave *The Hindu* at New Delhi:

You have been to India on several occasions, as player, coach and television commentator. Women's cricket has changed a lot in India, hasn't it?

Yeah. I was here for the WPL. I got to be part of that first season [2023] and that was a really exciting tournament to be part of. It has been a couple of years, and it is nice to be back, though in the commentary box, in a bit of a different role. I think the India-Australia series has been a really interesting one to follow because both of these sides are obviously tuning up for the World Cup. It has been interesting to see them find the right combinations and also, I suppose, build that rivalry that we know India and Australia have.

And India is probably the second best team in the world.

I think they are a team with momentum at the moment and that's really important heading into a big tournament.

How do you look back at the experience in the WPL? You were part of the inaugural WBBL back in Australia as well.

I suppose it was really different to Season One of WBBL that I was part of. The game has come such a long way over that time. And yeah, I suppose there was a lot of noise about India having a version for the women. When they eventually introduced the tournament, I mean, hats off to them. They did a wonderful job in creating a real spectacle, obviously drawing some of the best players in the world to the tournament. And it was done in a little bit of a different style, you know, with the auction format for players.

And for a change, there was really good money in women's cricket.

That is right. And I am sure the players, you know, before the current players have laid a really nice foundation, I suppose, for this generation to be able to step into and enjoy a bit of financial reward.

> It is nice to contribute in big tournaments and experience team success together. Because that is ultimately why you play sport: to be part of that win

GETTY IMAGES

You joined Gujarat Giants as the head coach in the first WPL. But you had a big setback when your captain and best player Beth Mooney got injured in the very first match and had to pull out from the tournament.

Beth picked up that calf injury and it is not easy to replace a player like that. To lose both her keeping and her batting, it is effectively two skills in a team, which threw our balance out a little bit. But that is part of elite sport; that happens. And yeah, we just weren't able to quite get going after that first match. But all in all, it was really great to work with the local players.

And in the WPL's inaugural match at Navi Mumbai, Harmanpreet Kaur played that blinder to lead Mumbai Indians to a huge victory. She also played one of the finest ODI innings, against Australia in the 2017 World Cup semifinal at Derby.

I wasn't playing in the match, but I was on the bench that day. And it was just some of the most phenomenal hitting I have ever seen. The ball-striking was amazing. It didn't matter what Australia tried to do to counteract it, she had an answer. And that innings was no exception. She is a fantastic player. And I have had the opportunity to play alongside her as well at the Sydney Thunder in the WBBL.

But in the next edition in 2022, Australia regained the World Cup, and you made 68 in the final against England at Christchurch and had a big partnership with Alyssa Healy for the first wicket.

It was great. Alyssa was absolutely smoking the ball and playing wonderfully. So I basically just put myself down at the other end. But yes, it is nice to contribute in big tournaments and I suppose to go on and experience that team success together. Because that is ultimately why you play sport: to be part of that win.

How do you look forward to the World Cup starting here in India on September 30? You wouldn't mind an India-Australia final perhaps?

I would absolutely love to see that. This is a real opportunity for the Indian side. You know, it's a huge privilege to play in a home World Cup and to have that support around. And we certainly experienced that in the T20 World Cup in Australia back in 2020. That was easily the most rewarding and fun tournament I have ever been part of as a player: we played that final at Melbourne in front of 86,000 people that supported us.

Apart from Australia and India, who do you think could make the semifinals?

I think England will be there. You know, Charlotte Edwards is such a fantastic coach and they will have Heather Knight coming back into their team. And I think South Africa will get through, just.

What makes this Australian side, of which you were a part until three years ago, so good?

I think one thing the squad and the selection and coaching group have done well is make sure they are always giving younger players an opportunity around the environment. They have brought Nicole Faltum and Charli Knott, who are sort of performing well in domestic cricket.

How do you view the changes the women's game has seen since the time you started out?

I think the game has just continued to evolve, and that has coincided with an increased investment from a lot of different boards around the world. So Australia, England and India are probably really leading the way in that respect. The success of the national side is really underpinned by the strength of your domestic programme, and there is no coincidence from my point of view that the top three teams in the world at the moment are well-funded and have good, strong domestic structures.

I suppose in fairness to New Zealand, they are the current T20 World Cup holders. But a lot of their players end up on that sort of domestic circuit around the world.

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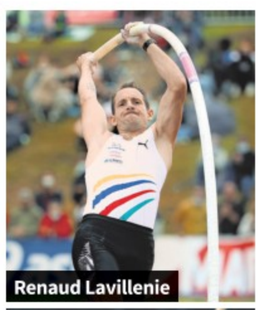
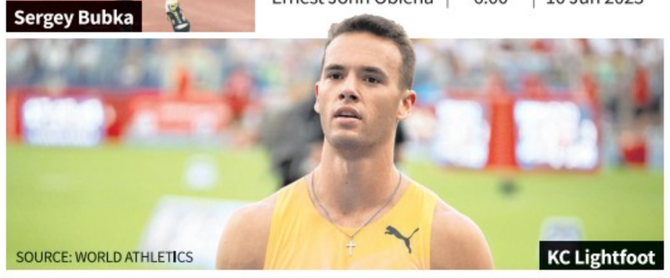
P.K. AJITH KUMAR

GAME THEORY

Pole vault's six-metre club

Armand Duplantis set a new world record in the men's pole vault at the World Championships in Tokyo. This week, we take a look at the athletes who have registered vaults of 6 metres and over.





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Renaud Lavillenie	6.16	15 Feb 2014
Sergey Bubka	6.15	21 Feb 1993
Emmanouil Karalis	6.08	02 Aug 2025
KC Lightfoot	6.07	02 Jun 2023
Steven Hooker	6.06	07 Feb 2009
Sam Kendricks	6.06	27 Jul 2019
Maxim Tarasov	6.05	16 Jun 1999
Dmitri Markov	6.05	09 Aug 2001
Christopher Nilsen	6.05	05 Mar 2022
Brad Walker	6.04	08 Jun 2008
Okkert Brits	6.03	18 Aug 1995
Jeff Hartwig	6.03	14 Jun 2000
Thiago Braz	6.03	15 Aug 2016
Rodion Gataullin	6.02	04 Feb 1989
Piotr Lisek	6.02	12 Jul 2019
Igor Trandenkov	6.01	03 Jul 1996
Timothy Mack	6.01	18 Sep 2004
Yevgeniy Lukyanenko	6.01	01 Jul 2008
Bjorn Otto	6.01	05 Sep 2012
Tim Lobinger	6.00	24 Aug 1997
Jean Galfione	6.00	06 Mar 1999
Daniel Ecker	6.00	11 Feb 2001
Toby Stevenson	6.00	08 May 2004
Paul Burgess	6.00	26 Feb 2005
Shawnacy Barber	6.00	15 Jan 2016
Timur Morgunov	6.00	12 Aug 2018
Sondre Mogens Guttormsen	6.00	10 Mar 2023
Ernest John Obiena	6.00	10 Jun 2023

SOURCE: WORLD ATHLETICS

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Rain holiday

Botswana's magnificent athletes did not merely win a historic gold in the men's 4x400m relay at the World Championships in Tokyo. They also gifted their people a day of leisure.

Botswana declared a public holiday on September 29, the day before the country's Independence Day, to celebrate its team becoming the first African champion of the event.

There is precedent for this. After Letsile Tebogo won Botswana's first Olympic gold in the 200m in Paris last year, his country savoured the victory with a half-day holiday.

The relay triumph was richly deserved, too. For, Bhekempilo Eppie, Tebogo, Bayapo Ndori and Collen Kebinatshipi mastered tricky, rain-drenched conditions, edging out the United States and South Africa in a blanket finish.

Kebinatshipi, the 21-year-old winner of the individual 400m title, ran a superb last leg in driving rain to snatch gold in two minutes, 57.76 seconds.

The Botswanan quartet celebrated with a dance in the downpour. "I wanted to come here, motivate my teammates and walk away with gold," said Kebinatshipi. "And we did it."

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Cash-for-vote case: SC upholds A.P. court order

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday upheld an Andhra Pradesh High Court decision quashing proceedings against Jerusalem Mathaiah, who is the fourth accused in the 2015 cash-for-vote case registered and investigated by the Telangana Anti-Corruption Bureau.

The decision by a Bench of Chief Justice B.R. Gavai and Justice K. Vinod Chandran may have a rippling effect on a petition filed by Telangana Chief Minister and former Telugu Desam Party (TDP) leader, A. Revanth Reddy, who is also accused in the case, to quash the FIR in the 2015 case. Mr. Reddy's petition was listed before a coordinate Bench, but was adjourned to October.

Mr. Reddy was accused of paying ₹50 lakh bribe to Elvis Stephenson, a nominated MLA, for supporting TDP nominee Vem Narendar Reddy in the 2015 Legislative Council elections. Mr. Mathiah, a pastor and then a member of the TDP Christian Cell, was accused number four in the case. In July 2015, the ACB had filed a chargesheet against Mr. Reddy and others.

On Friday, Justice Chandran said there was nothing to link Mr. Mathiah with the alleged crime in question. The judgment noted that the information about the attempt to bribe Mr. Stephenson was received on May 28, 2015 but the FIR was registered two days later, on May 31.

Tirupati prasadam probe: top court stays HC order faulting CBI director

The Chief Justice-headed Bench passed the interim order on a plea filed by the CBI chief challenging the findings of the A.P. High Court which held that the director had 'overreached' the SC's directions by appointing another investigating officer

Aaratrika Bhaumik
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday stayed an Andhra Pradesh High Court order that had faulted the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) Director for appointing an officer outside the court-constituted Special Investigation Team (SIT) to assist in the probe into allegations of "adulterated ghee" used in the preparation of prasadam at the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD).

A Bench of Chief Justice of India B.R. Gavai and Justices K. Vinod Chandran and N.V. Anjaria observed, "Has the SIT appointed by us abdicated its responsibility? It has only appointed one investigating officer who will work under it."

The top court passed the interim order while hearing a petition moved by the CBI Director challenging the High Court's findings that the appointment was contrary to its directions.

Solicitor-General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the CBI, pressed for urgent relief and argued that the High Court had cast unwarranted aspersions on the SIT's functioning. "The SIT is doing its job. The CBI Director convened a meeting to take stock of the situation. The investigating officer appointed is acting only as a record-keeper," he submitted.

The SC constituted an SIT to assist in the probe into allegations of adulterated ghee used in the prasadam at Tirumala. FILE PHOTO

The High Court had held that the CBI Director "overreached" the Supreme Court's directions by permitting J. Venkat Rao, an officer not formally named in the SIT, to take part in the investigation. Justice Harinath N noted that since the SIT's composition had been explicitly determined by the apex court in 2024, any inclusion beyond the notified members was impermissible.

The High Court's ruling stemmed from a petition filed by Kaduru Chinnappanna, who alleged harassment by Mr. Rao. He contended that he was repeatedly summoned to the SIT office in Tirupati and coerced into giving "scripted false statements," even though Mr. Rao had no lawful authority to conduct the probe. On this basis, he sought directions for the investigation to be carried out solely by the duly constituted SIT.

Chalavadi Narayanaswamy accuses Karnataka govt. of 'diverting' funds meant for Dalit welfare

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bharatiya Janata Party has accused the Congress government of "hoodwinking" Dalits by diverting funds meant for their welfare to other works, including the functioning of the H.N. Nagamohan Das Commission. Addressing a press conference here on Friday, Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council Chalavadi Narayanaswamy said the government had earmarked ₹42,000 crore for Dalits' welfare under Scheduled Castes Sub-Allocation & Tribal-Sub Allocation Act that mandates earmarking funds for the welfare of SC/ST communities in proportion to their population. Of this, ₹21,000 had been diverted to all the departments for taking up various works. Of the remaining ₹21,000 crore, a sum of ₹ 14,000 crore had been diverted to fund guarantee schemes, he alleged.

Chalavadi Narayanaswamy

"The remaining amount of ₹7,000 crore has been given to the Social Welfare Department, which had used this for various purposes including organising the International Democracy Day and Constitution Day. These funds have been used even for the functioning of Nagamohan Das Commission that looked into internal reservation among SCs," he alleged. Much against the claims of the government of providing huge funds for the welfare of Dalits, there were several lapses in providing benefits to Dalit beneficiaries, he alleged.

Citing an example, he said earlier, the government used to directly pay the school and college fees of Dalit students. But now, the students were expected to pay their fees and get a reimbursement from the government later, he said.

'Ready to test water samples for amoeba'

The Hindu Bureau
KOZHIKODE

In view of rising cases of amoebic meningoencephalitis in Kerala, the Centre for Water Resources Development and Management has volunteered to test water resources for the disease-causing amoeba and is awaiting official approval. "We have the necessary facility to conduct this test, which cannot be done in every laboratory," Manoj Samuel, Executive Director, CWRDM, said.

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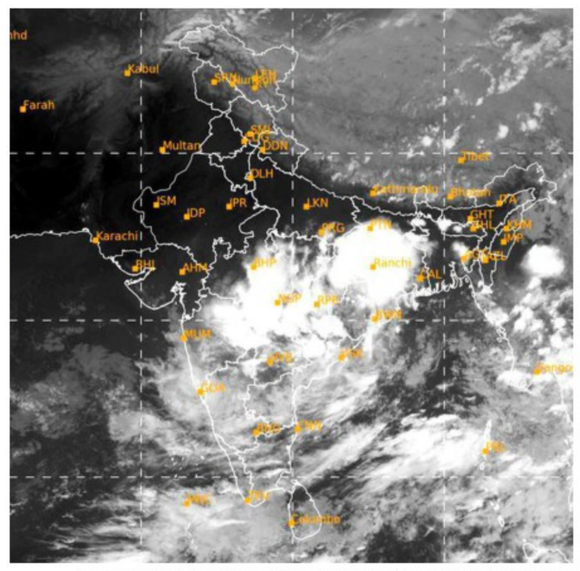
Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



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Bengaluru	—	27.9	20.2	Mangaluru	7	29.5	23.7
Bhopal	2	33.2	23.2	Mumbai	—	30.4	24.6
Bhubaneswar	15.5	27.6	25.4	Mysuru	—	30.2	19.4
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Visakhapatnam	.11	.50	.59	70	83	

Yesterday
In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Nandesari, Gujarat recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 208 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Shillong, Meghalaya recorded a healthy AQI score of 9

Air Quality Code: Poor | Moderate | Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Tamil Nadu Power Generation Corporation Ltd
Notice Inviting Tenders (E-Tendering Process)

Specification No.	Tender Inviting Authority	Name of the Work
C-01	CE/Udangudi/ STPP-1	Transporting of crushed coal from TTPS to Udangudi by road for unit -1

For details of works / Procurement / Due date of submission / Opening, viewing and downloading of e-tenders, please visit websites: **www.tnpdcl.org, www.tenders.tn.gov.in, www.tntenders.gov.in**
DIPR/5411/Tender/2025

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF RAJASTHAN
nirf Rank - 89 (University Category) Rank - 27 (Pharmacy Category)
Reaccredited to Grade A++by NAAC
Category-I Status by UGC
CURAJ/R/F.169/Rectt./2025/2195 Date : 26.09.2025
Teaching Positions (Contractual)
Walk-in-Interview on 14.10.2025 for
04 Assistant Professor (Contractual)
in the Department of Pharmacy, Physics & Health Science in the University.
For more information visit : **www.curaj.ac.in** Registrar

Town Municipal Council Harugeri
S.No/TMC/25-26 Date:-26.09.2025
Tender Notification
Tenders are invited from qualified contractors on Model KW-4 for 4 works under SFC Special Grant Schemes projects for the financial year 2022-23 .Minimum 135.05 lakhs to maximum amount of Rs 397.00 lakhs for works. Indent No **14392, 14396, 14388, 14398** The time period for carrying out the work will be 6 months. The last date for uploading the tenders is 27.10.2025 till 4.30 pm. And the date of opening of Technically tenders: 29.10.2025 at 11.00 am. For more information you can check the website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. If there is any amendment in the tender, it will be notified online only
Sd/-Chief Officer TMC Harugeri
DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-1102/KSMCA/2025-26

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
BENGALURU URBAN ZILLA PANCHAYATH
O/o Executive Engineer,
Panchayath Raj Engineering Division, First Floor,
Zilla Panchayat Building, S. Kariyappa Road,
Banashankari (Near Banashankari Temple), Bengaluru 560070.
No.EE/PRED/BNG(U)/TND/JE-1/18/2025-26 Dated:25.09.2025
KPPP Tender Notice (Single Cover System)
Tenders are invited through KPPP Portal by the Executive Engineer, P.R.E.D. Bangalore Urban, For Different Head of account under ZP Grants Works. The work details can obtained from the KPPP Web Site The Tender Documents can be obtained and submitted on or before **Dated:3.10.2025** upto **4.00 pm.** Further details can be obtained from web site at **http://www.KPPP.karnataka.gov.in** or contact this office during office working hours.
Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Panchayath Raj Engineering Division, Bangalore Urban Dist, Bangalore.
DIPR/CP/2996/SSC/2025-26

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE THIRD ADDITIONAL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE AT MYSURU
[Original Jurisdiction]
In The Matter Of Execution Petition In Ex. No. 154 of 2017
Decree Holder
Shri. G.V. Rammachandra
Since Dead Represented by Lrs
V/S
Judgment Debtor
Smt. M. Manjula
Applicant
Shri. Devendra S Wagle
V/S
Opponent
Decree Holder
D1[a] Smt. H.B. Shamala
Aged About 65 years
Wife of Late Shri. G.V. Ramachandra
Residing at Door No. 70/A, Kautilya School Road, Near K.E.B Circle, Dattagalli,III Stage,Mysore 570022
D1[b] Shri. Raghunandana. R
Aged about 48 years
Son of Late Shri. G.V. Ramachandra
Residing at Door No. 34, 1st Floor, 1st Cross, Best County -2, Chikkabettu Layout, Bengaluru North, Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru-560097
D1[c] Shri. Ravikumar. R
Aged About 46 years
Son of Late Shri. G.V. Ramachandra
Residing at Door No. 18-19, M.M.J Arcade, Yerekere Road, Shivayu Nagar, Reddiyur, Selam-636004
Notice on I. A to the Legal Representatives of Decree Holder
Whereas, the above named applicant has lodged the interim application for restoration of the Execution Petition in Ex. No. 154 of 2017 on the file of the Third Additional Senior Civil Judge at Mysuru.
Whereas, you the above named Decree Holders are hereby called upon to appear in person or through authorized agent **on 14-11-2025 at 11 a.m.**
Whereas, if you fail to appear on the above said date, the matter will be proceeded as accordance with law.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Hon'ble Court, on this 23 day of 09, 2025.
By Order of Court
Chief Ministerial Officer,
Court Of Senior Civil Judge and CJM, Mysuru
Advocate
Mahadeva Deshak,
Attorney at Law &Corporate Consultant
No. 9/A, III Floor, S.B.I. Building,
Institute of Education Premises,
Sahukar Chennaiah Road,
Saraswathipuram, Mysore-570 009.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SPACE,
HUMAN SPACE FLIGHT CENTRE (HSFC),
Construction & Maintenance Group (CMG),
Devanahalli, Karnataka-562 164. Ph:080-29916308
E-Tender Notice No. HSFC/CMG/2(15)/Comp/154/2025-26 Dated: 09.09.2025
EXTENSION OF E-TENDER
CORRIGENDUM NO.1 DATED:26.09.2025

Title of work	**Construction of Canteen Facility at HSFC Campus, Devanahalli, Bengaluru (Civil, PH, Electrical, AC & Mechanical Works)**
Estimated cost put to tender	**₹886.00 Lakhs**
Period of completion in months reckoned from the 15th day of date of issue of work order.	**Ten (10) Months**
Period of downloading	**Extended up to 23:59 hrs on 04.10.2025**
Bid clarifications	**Extended up to 14:30 hrs on 05.10.2025**
Reply to Bid clarifications	**Extended up to 17:00 hrs on 06.10.2025**
Receipt of tenders.	**up to 11:00 hrs on 07.10.2025**
Opening of tenders	**At 11:30 hrs on 07.10.2025**

Interested tenderers may please refer detailed E-tender (E-NIT) for eligibility criteria and other details, which can be downloaded from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**
Sd/- Head CMD, CMG, HSFC

KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD
3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560009.
Tender Notification
(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)
Karnataka Housing Board invite tenders from the eligible pre qualified contractors & willing to Pre qualify in Karnataka Housing Board through Karnataka public procurement portal for below mentioned works.

Sl.No.	Name of the work
1	Construction of Minority Welfare Department, Hostel Building 2nd Phase at Attavara Village, Mangaluru Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District under PMJVK Scheme. **Work Indent No:** KHB/2025-26/BD/work_indent 636 & IFT No.89/2025-26 Date: 22.09.2025. **Amount put to tender:** Rs.1,77,75,608/-
2	Construction of Minority Welfare Department, Hostel Building 2nd Phase at Gadag Betageri in Gadag District under PMJVK Scheme (WAKF Site). **Work Indent No:** KHB/2025-26/BD/ work_indent 640 & IFT No.90/2025-26 Date: 22.09.2025. **Amount put to tender:** Rs.82,69,997/-
3	Construction of Minority Welfare Department, Hostel Building 2nd Phase at Hampanakatte, Thota Village, Mangaluru Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District under PMJVK Scheme. **Work Indent No:** KHB/2025-26/BD/ work_indent 638 & IFT No.91/2025-26 Date: 22.09.2025. **Amount put to tender**: Rs.3,25,90,655/-

Last date for submission of bids: For Sl. No. 1 & 2 : 06.10.2025. up to 4.00 PM. and for Sl.No. 3 - 24.10.2025 up to 4.00 PM.
For further information, contact below mentioned office address: Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru. Telephone No: 080-22273511/080-22100077, Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**
DIPR/CP/3020 /AKAR/2025-26 **Sd/- Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Bengaluru**

ଓଡ଼ିଶା ବିଦ୍ୟୁତ୍ ଶକ୍ତି ସଂଚାରଣ ନିଗମ ଲିଃ
(ଓଡ଼ିଶା ସରକାରଙ୍କ ଏକ ଉପକ୍ରମ)
ODISHA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Government of Odisha Undertaking)
Regd. Office: OPTCL Tech Tower, Janpath, Saheed Nagar, Bhubaneswar-751007
NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER
Bids are invited from reputed contractors for the following tenders:

E-Tender No.	Tender Description:	Estimated Cost
CGM(Tel)-03/2025-26	Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of equipment for data and speech communication between IOCL, Paradeep and SLDC, Bhubaneswar through OPGW on Turnkey Contract Basis.	Rs. 1,57,97,253/-

Complete set of bidding documents are available at **www.optcl.co.in**.
/optcl.odisha /optcl_odisha HIPR-36/2025-26
CAD-1893 OIPR-04011/11/0228/2526

BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Reg. Office: 30/1, 1st and 2nd Floor, BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, Millers Tank Bund Area, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru- 560051. Email-Id : dgm3bswml@gmail.com
No: DGM-3/BSWML/PR/615/2025-26 Date: 26.09.2025
INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (Only through GOK KPP Portal Only)

Name of the Work	**Disposal of scrap materials at MSW wet waste processing plant.**

1) Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited invites EOI from scrap dealers for disposal of of scrap materials such as scrap machinery, metal pieces, truss works etc located at Chikkanagamangala, Doddabidarakallu and Lingadheeranahalli wet waste processing plant. **2)** Interested dealers may inspect the plants on any working day between 10 a.m to 5 p.m upon prior approval from this office. **3)** This EOI is invited only for obtaining market rates to prepare the estimates. **4)** Last date (deadline) to receive the response is: **06.10.2025 upto 4.00 PM through KPPP portal. 5)** Date of opening of responses is **08.10.2025 after 4.30 PM through KPPP portal. 6)** The Right to Accept/Reject an any or all responses received is reserved with the Deputy General Manager-3, BSWML without assigning any reasons thereof.
Sd/-
Deputy General Manager-3
BSWML, Bengaluru.
DIPR/CP/3014/SSC/2025-26

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕಾರವಾರ, ಉತ್ತರ ಕನ್ನಡ
ದೂರವಾಣಿ: 08382–220556 ಇ–ಮೇಲ್: predkarwar@gmail.com
ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ:ಪಂರಾ.ಇಂ/ಕಾ/ಪಿಬಿ–1/2025–26/801 ದಿ: 26.09.2025
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ–14/2025–26 (ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಮೂಲಕ)
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಾರವಾರ ಇವರಿಂದ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿದ ಅರ್ಹ ಹಾಗೂ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯಿಂದ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ವಿವಿಧ ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆಯಡಿಯ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಖರೀದಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಕಾನೂನು ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿ 2000 ಹಾಗೂ Standard Tender Document ನ K.W-1, K.W-3 ರ ತತ್ಸಂಬಂಧ ಕಾಲಕಾಲಕ್ಕೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾದ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಆದೇಶಗಳನ್ವಯ ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತೆ ಐಟಂವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ–ಆಡಳಿತ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಥವಾ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿದಂತೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಹಾಗೂ ಇನ್ನುಳಿದ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಖಚಿತಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಟೆಂಡರಿಗಾಗಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿವರಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿವೆ.
ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಹೆಸರು: (ಮೀಸಲಾತಿ: ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ) (1) ಭಟ್ಕಳ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಹೆಬಳೆ ಗ್ರಾಪಂ ಕಿತ್ತೂರು ರಾಣಿ ಚನ್ನಮ್ಮ ವಸತಿ ಶಾಲೆಯಿಂದ ತೆಂಗಿನಗುಂಡಿ ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆವರೆಗೆ ಕಾಂಕ್ರೀಟ್ ರಸ್ತೆ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. **RDPR/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT15737/CALL-3,** ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 84.54 ಲಕ್ಷ, ಮುಂಗಡ ಠೇವಣಿ ರೂ. 1,69,200.00, ಕಾಲಮಿತಿ (ಮಳೆಗಾಲ ಸಹಿತ): 09 ತಿಂಗಳು
(ಮೀಸಲಾತಿ: ಪ್ರ ವರ್ಗ 1) (2) 2025–26 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಜಿ.ಪಂ ಅನಿರ್ಭಂಧಿತ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಭಟ್ಕಳ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಹೆಬಳೆ ಗ್ರಾಪಂ ಸ.ಹಿ.ಪ್ರಾ ಶಾಲೆ ಹೊನ್ನೆಗದ್ದೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹೊಸ ಕೊಠಡಿ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 14.50 ಲಕ್ಷ, ಮುಂಗಡ ಠೇವಣಿ ರೂ. 18,125.00, ಕಾಲಮಿತಿ (ಮಳೆಗಾಲ ಸಹಿತ): 04 ತಿಂಗಳು
(1) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಶೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್–ಬಿಗಳನ್ನು ಮತ್ತು Technical Bid ನ್ನು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ತುಂಬಿ ಮರಳಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 06.10.2025 ರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 16.30 ಘಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ. (2) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ Technical Bid ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 07.10.2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 16.31 ಘಂಟೆಗೆ. (3) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕವನ್ನು ತಾಂತ್ರೀಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾದ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಗೆ ನಂತರದಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.
ಸಹಿ/–, ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರು,
ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕಾರವಾರ
DIPR/KWR/KSMCA/550/25-26 dt. 26.09.2025

From Page One

Study says astronauts with diabetes can undertake space missions

It further said the research results found that continuous glucose monitors (CGMs) and insulin pens can operate reliably in the extreme conditions of space.

Inspiring people

"Early results suggest that CGM devices can perform with accuracy comparable to Earth-based readings, enabling real-time glucose monitoring of astronauts in microgravity and can communicate readings to the ground. Insulin pens flown on the space station are now undergoing post-flight testing to evaluate the integrity of the formulation," it said.

Inspiring people

"This is about inspiring people everywhere. A diagnosis shouldn't end your dream of space exploration. Together, we're advancing the potential to fly the first astronaut with diabetes and to unlock innovation in healthcare," said Gavin D'Elia, global head of pharma at Axiom Space.

The Ax-4 mission was launched on June 25, and during the 20-day mission, the crew comprising Group Captain Shukla and three others completed 320 orbits around the Earth,, covering 8.4 million miles of spaceflight, Axiom Space said. They also performed over 60 research activities and 23 outreach events.

CM's fiat to officials on caste survey

Noting that teachers involved in the survey would be paid an honorarium, the Chief Minister said the amount had been released.

The Chief Minister instructed DCs to appoint a district-level officer as a nodal officer for each taluk to supervise the survey work.

Locked houses, hilly areas

If houses were locked during the survey, steps should be taken to carry out the survey in such houses in the coming days, the Chief Minister said.

Survey centres had been set up in schools in hilly areas.

People could visit these centres to participate in the survey. An option had also been given to participate in the survey online, the Chief Minister added.

KRV activists arrested for storming parliamentary panel meeting

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Forty-one Karnataka Rakshana Vedike (KRV) protestors, who allegedly stormed a Parliamentary Committee on Official Language meeting at a city hotel on Friday, have been remanded in judicial custody.

The police sources said 28 male and 13 female protesters were produced before the 1st Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate court, which ordered their remand. KRV leader T.A. Narayana Gowda condemned the arrests. "Our members have been arrested illegally by booking fake cases. The government should immediately take steps to quash them and release everyone. If the government fails to act, we will launch a Statewide movement against this," he warned. He openly threatened that any organisation or committee promoting Hindi in the State would face consequences.

His remarks came in the backdrop of a three-day conference of the Parliamentary Committee on Official Language. On Thursday, the KRV members allegedly barged into the Taj West End Hotel, where the conference was being held. The police said, on the final day of the meeting over 40 KRV members entered the venue between 10.45 a.m. and 11 a.m., shouting slogans and objecting to the agenda.

A case has been registered at the High Grounds Police Station.

Civic body orders demolition of unstable building at Venkatapura

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A residential building in Venkatapura, Koramangala, which had been issued multiple notices by the civic authorities for building violations, tilted after developing cracks on its ground floor. The building owner has now begun the demolition process.

Last year, during routine inspections, the Koramangala Sub Division identified the under-construction building at Site No. 17/B, owned by one Shanthamma. A notice was issued under section 313 of the BBMP Act, 2020 (replaced by the Greater Bengaluru Governance Act), on August 2, 2024, seeking approved building plans and other relevant documents.

As the owners did not submit the required documents, the building was deemed unauthorised. Subsequently, a provisional order and show cause notice were issued under sections 248(1) and 248(2) of the BBMP Act on August 13, 2024. Despite repeated notices, the owners neither initiated demolition nor provided a satisfactory explanation.

On September 23, 2024, the owners requested a few months' time to carry out demolition under the guidance of an architect, assuring that adjacent buildings would not be affected. The corporation deferred action based on this request.

On Thursday the owners submitted another letter reporting visible cracks in the building's foundation and sought permission to safely demolish the structure themselves. Following a site inspection, approval for the demolition was granted by the authorities. The corporation has warned that if the demolition is delayed or incomplete, it will carry out the demolition through legal procedures.

Fire engulfs godown in Malleswaram; residents of nearby buildings evacuated

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A massive fire broke out at a furniture warehouse, causing severe losses, on Pipeline Road at Malleswaram in Bengaluru on Friday.
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The Fire Department said the operation took longer than usual owing to the narrow street and closely packed houses

A fire broke out on Friday morning at a furniture warehouse in Malleswaram, causing panic among residents as flames spread to nearby buildings. The warehouse, located on Dattatreya Temple Street, stored large quantities of furniture and wood handicrafts, which fuelled the fire.

Residents, alongside fire personnel, carried out rescue operations in an adjacent apartment complex as thick smoke engulfed all floors, making it difficult to breathe. Many senior citizens living in the building were seen struggling for air during the evacuation. A few residents sustained minor injuries during the rescue, a relative of one of the residents of the apartment said.

A Fire Department official told *The Hindu* that no casualties were reported, as workers in the warehouse and residents of nearby buildings were safely evacuated. The Fire Department received a call around 3 a.m. from a local resident. Three fire tenders were dispatched immediately, and as the flames intensified, three more vehicles were deployed. After nearly nine hours of operations, firefighters finally brought the blaze under control.

The intensity of the fire was such that safety grills of adjacent buildings and the overhead water tanks of a nearby structure were seen melting. An eyewitness explained that the neighbouring apartment complex comprises 32 flats, all of which had to be evacuated at 3 a.m.

"One elderly resident was trapped on the third floor, panting for breath while awaiting rescue. Several senior citizens were brought out in wheelchairs," a relative of one of the residents of the apartment told *The Hindu*.

The Fire Department said the operation took longer than usual owing to the narrow street and closely packed houses in the area.

Preliminary investigations suggest the warehouse fire may have been caused by a short circuit. The presence of wooden furniture and flammable upholstery accelerated the flames, causing extensive damage, the cost of which is yet to be estimated. However, residents alleged that warehouse workers had lit scrap wood to keep themselves warm, which was left unattended and said this may have triggered the fire.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-Procurement (IREPS) Tender Notice
No. H-GS-UBL-05-2025-26
Dated : 19-09-2025

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders (IREPS) for the following work:

Description of work	Approx. Value
Provision of one additional loopline and associated works at Swamihalli & Yeshwanthnagar Railway stations along with associated Electrical General, Electrical Traction and Signal & Telecommunication works (Composite work).	Rs. 56,28,47,110/-

Last date for submission of bids:
Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 20-10-2025
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
Chief Project Manager/Gati Shakti
PUB/508/AAF/PRB/SWR/2025-26 **Hubballi**
Download the UTS Mobile App from Google Play Store for ease of booking of unreserved tickets
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The General Public are hereby informed that our Client/s intend to buy the below mentioned **"Schedule Property"** from the Children and Grand Children of Late R.Rajashekaraiah of Arjunabettahalli Village, Gollahalli Post, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. Any person/s, entity, firms, Societies, Institutions (Corporate or otherwise) claiming to have any right, title, interest, benefit, claim or demand in, or to, the Schedule Property and/or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, gift, lease, tenancy, license, assignment, mortgage, charge, lien, trust, family arrangement/settlement, encumbrance, inheritance, bequest, easement, possession, maintenance, development rights, order/ decree / judgment of any court, agreement/s or otherwise howsoever, to the Schedule Property shall file his/her/its/their claim/objection/s together with true copies of all documentary proof in support thereof, to the undersigned, at the address given below, within **15 (Fifteen) days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, our client/s will complete the sale transaction without any reference or regard to any such purported claim or interest, which shall be deemed to have been waived to all intents and purposes.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ITEM NO.1 : All the piece and parcel of the agriculture property bearing **Sy.No. 38/1,** measuring **3 acres 30 guntas** including 03 guntas of kharab, situated at **Arjunbettahalli Village, KasabaHobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru rural district, Bengaluru,** bounded on:-
East by: Gollahalli Gadi (Sy.No. 16/1 and 16/2), **West by:** Sy.No. 39, **North by:** Land belongs to Nagesh in Sy.No.37/2 & existing Road, **South by:** Sy.No. 38/2

ITEM NO.2 : All the piece and parcel of the agriculture property bearing **Sy.No. 38/2,** measuring **4 acres 16 guntas including 01 guntas of kharab**, situated at **Arjunbettahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru rural district, Bengaluru,** bounded on:-
East by : Gollahalli Gadi and land belongs to Basavaraju in Sy.No.15, **West by:** Sy.No. 39 and 43, **North by:** Sy.No.38/1, **South by:** Sy.No. 43/1.

ITEM NO.3 : All the piece and parcel of the agriculture property bearing **Sy.No.. 43/1,** measuring **1 Acres 18 Guntas,** situated at **Arjunbettahalli Village, KasabaHobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru rural district, Bengaluru,** bounded on:-
East by : Sy.No.45/1D and 38/2, **West by :** Sy.No.42/6 and 44/2, **North by :** Sy.No.43/2 and 43/5, **South by :** Sy.No. 43/3 and 45/1D

ITEM NO.4 : All the piece and parcel of the agriculture property bearing **Sy.No. 45/2A,** measuring **1 Acres 13 Guntas,** situated at **Arjunbettahalli Village, KasabaHobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru rural district, Bengaluru,** bounded on:-
East by : Sy.No.45/2B; **West by :** Sy.No.46/2 & 46/6; **North by :** Sy.No.44/3 & 45/3; **South by :** Sy.No. 45/3.

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INBRIEF

Centre clamps raw jute stock limits amidst surging prices

Amidst a steep rise in raw jute prices, the Centre has issued an order capping the maximum stock that traders, balers, and millers can hold. The order allows balers with presses to hold a maximum of 2,000 quintals of raw jute, other stockists to 300 quintals, and mills to not more than 45 days of consumption at current rates. The order comes in the wake of jute prices breaching the ₹9,000 per quintal mark, with mills struggling to procure the raw material. PTI

BoB gets nod to operate as trading-cum-clearing on IIBX

Bank of Baroda said it had received approval from the International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) to operate as a Trading-Cum-Clearing Member (TCM) on the India International Bullion Exchange IFSC Limited (IIBX), at GIFT City, expanding its footprint. Bank of Baroda's International Banking Unit (IBU) at GIFT City has an extensive presence, undertaking treasury, trade finance and capital markets operations.

SC defers Vodafone Idea plea against extra AGR demand

The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) urged the Supreme Court of India on Friday to hear a plea filed by Vodafone-Idea challenging a demand of more than ₹5,000 crore in additional Adjusted Gross Revenue (AGR) dues after the court's Dussehra break. A Bench headed by Chief Justice of India B.R. Gavai agreed to an oral request made by Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for DoT, to defer the hearing to October 6, the day the court re-opens.

'Immediate impact of U.S. tariff on pharma exports unlikely'

Bulk of the exports are generics, most large pharma companies already operate U.S. manufacturing or repackaging firms: Pharmexcil chairman

N. Ravi Kumar
HYDERABAD

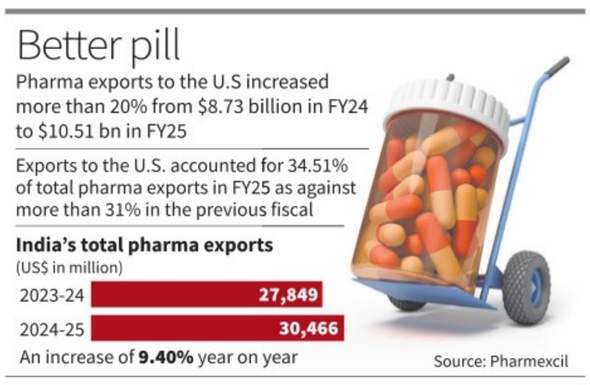
India's pharma exporters body Pharmexcil does not anticipate any immediate impact of the 100% tariff on branded and patented pharmaceutical imports the U.S. President Donald Trump announced on September 25 that left world trade already reeling under his other recent tariff decisions in a tizzy and scrambling for clarity.

"The proposed 100% tariff on branded and patented pharmaceutical imports is unlikely to have an immediate impact on Indian exports, as bulk of our contribution lies in simple generics. Most large Indian companies already operate U.S. manufacturing or repackaging units and are exploring acquisitions," Pharmexcil chairman Namit Joshi said, pointing out to the exemption, from the tariff, proposed for such companies.

Referring to the ongoing investigations under Section 232 in the U.S., to determine the effect of imports on national security, he said they appear to be focussed elsewhere and have not taken a direct call on generics. "Nonetheless, it is prudent to remain prepared for future policy shifts and to build risk-mitigation strategies," said Mr. Joshi. Laurus Labs CEO Satyanarayana Chava said it is early to comment as world needs to understand the process to be followed by U.S. On his company's exposure to the U.S. market, he said "we believe any tariff burden is likely to be passed on to our clients," Other companies have been hinting at taking the same route.

Partner at Grant Thornton Bharat Manoj Mishra said companies manufacturing branded products abroad for the U.S. may face headwinds, while domestic generic producers could see near-term gains as higher prices for branded drugs push demand toward cost-effective alternatives.

ICRA V-P Deepak Jotwani said India's strength lies in generic drug exports, which are currently exempt from the tariffs.


Better pill
Pharma exports to the U.S increased more than 20% from $8.73 billion in FY24 to $10.51 bn in FY25
Exports to the U.S. accounted for 34.51% of total pharma exports in FY25 as against more than 31% in the previous fiscal
India's total pharma exports
(US$ in million)
2023-24 27,849
2024-25 30,466
An increase of 9.40% year on year
Source: Pharmexcil

Nifty Pharma down 2%

Ashokamithran T.

Nifty Pharma index slipped 2.14%, to 21,507.20 points after U.S. President Trump announced a 100% tariff on branded pharmaceutical trade.

Responding to the news, the index fell over 2%, the steepest fall since August. To be sure, the index fell 8.32% on a year-to-date basis. BSE Healthcare index, too, fell 2.14% to 43,046.69. Barring Torrent, IPCA Laboratories, and JB Chemicals, which rose, the rest of the stocks in the index fell. Laurus Labs for instance fell 7.15% from it's previous close.

New law has shut businesses, online gaming firms tell SC

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

Online gaming companies on Friday told the Supreme Court of India that their "businesses are shut down" owing to the new law which bans real money games, related banking services and advertisements. They sought urgent hearing and interim relief from the implementation of the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Act, 2025.

Chief Justice of India B.R. Gavai agreed to list the case soon. The court reopens after Dussehra break on October 6.

The government argued that the law was necessary to curb the rapid mushrooming of online money games creating "serious risks for individuals, families and the nation."

On September 8, 2025, a Supreme Court Bench headed by Justice J.B. Pardiwala had transferred to the apex court separate petitions challenging the law, scattered across various State High Courts, including Delhi, Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh.

The counsel mentioning the case on behalf of the online gaming companies on Friday said the transfer to the top court was done on a request from the Centre. "Now, we seek an urgent listing... Businesses are shut down because of the Act," she said.

The Centre had got the petitions transferred on the ground that multiple proceedings before the various High Courts would add to the confusion, especially if the judgments contradict each other. An authoritative pronouncement from the Supreme Court on the constitutionality of the statute, on the other hand, would settle the law. The Centre had argued that the issue raised several questions of constitutional importance.

The Centre said gambling and betting are already restricted
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The writ petitions filed by online platforms and stakeholders in the High Courts have argued that the law was a violation of the right to equality and freedom of expression, federalism and the settled distinction drawn between games of skill and those of chance.

The Centre stated that gambling and betting were already restricted under Indian laws such as the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and by various State legislations.

The online domain had remained largely unregulated. The Bill ensured uniform standards apply in both physical and digital spaces.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	FRIDAY	% CHANGE
Sensex	80,426	-0.90
US Dollar	88.72	0.05
Brent oil	70.45	1.82

NIFTY 50

	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	2543.70	-32.70
Adani Ports	1392.00	-15.20
Apollo Hosp	7510.00	-114.00
Asian Paints	2342.80	-61.20
Axis Bank	1154.00	-12.60
Bajaj Auto	8702.00	-140.50
Bajaj Finserv	2003.20	-32.40
Bajaj Finance	985.10	-27.65
Bharat Elec	395.90	-7.25
Bharti Airtel	1916.60	-19.00
Cipla	1499.40	-10.30
Coal India	389.15	-3.35
Dr Reddys Lab	1253.10	-22.10
Eicher Motors	7047.00	61.00
Eternal Ltd.	321.00	-11.25
Grasim Ind	2746.80	-31.80
HCL Tech	1395.30	-28.50
HDFC Bank	945.05	-4.80
HDFC Life	764.40	-0.65
Hero MotoCorp	5328.00	-26.50
Hindalco	743.85	-1.80
Hind Unilever	2511.80	-26.50
ICICI Bank	1359.60	-16.20
IndusInd Bank	712.75	-28.00
Infosys	1448.90	-35.90
ITC	405.10	5.00
Jio Financial Services Ltd.	295.85	-5.75
JSW Steel	1130.80	-17.70
Kotak Bank	1994.80	-18.70
L&T	3729.50	85.10
M&M	3396.50	-133.50
Maruti Suzuki	16286.00	17.00
NestleIndia	1162.60	-10.90
NTPC	337.90	-2.60
ONGC	238.02	-1.65
PowerGrid Corp	282.25	-2.15
Reliance Ind	1377.60	5.20
SBI Life	1798.80	-11.00
State Bank	856.95	-4.20
Shriram Finance Ltd.	606.05	-6.65
Sun Pharma	1586.70	-40.70
TataConsumerProduct	1119.00	-15.20
Tata Motors	672.90	8.60
Tata Steel	167.40	-4.98
TCS	2899.10	-58.30
Tech Mahindra	1407.70	-36.60
Titan	3327.30	-51.20
Trent Ltd.	4679.00	-63.50
UltraTech Cement	12070.00	-71.00
Wipro	235.75	-6.25

TCPL to invest ₹2,000 cr. in 5 years

FMCG major Tata Consumer Products Ltd. (TCPL) has plans to invest ₹2,000 crore in the food processing industry in the next five years and has signed a non-binding MoU with the government. PTI

SC upholds NCLAT nod for JSW's BPSL plan

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court upheld the February 2020 order of the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) approving JSW Steel's ₹19,700-crore resolution plan for Bhushan Power and Steel (BPSL).

The top court had, in May, rejected JSW Steel's plan and ordered liquidation proceedings against BPSL. A Special Bench later recalled the order in July and reheard the appeals. The case involved challenges from operational creditors, including Kalyani Transco, and objections from former promoters.

In a judgment authored by Chief Justice of India B.R. Gavai, the court held JSW Steel, as the Successful Resolution Applicant (SRA), had achieved a turnaround and converted a "substantial" loss-making entity into a profit-earning one.

"The corporate debtor [BPSL] had been running into substantial losses which has now become a profit-making entity earning substantial profits. The SRA - JSW invested huge amounts in modernisation and expansion of the entity. Not only that but thousands of employees have been earning livelihood on account of the corporate debtor running as an ongoing concern due to the Resolution Plan being implemented by the SRA - JSW," the court observed.

Ex-promoters face ire

The Bench castigated the former promoters for prolonged litigation, stressing the very purpose of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) was to ensure the continuity of corporate debtors. "If, after the implementation of the Resolution Plan, the SRA - JSW converted a loss-making entity into the one making profits, can it be penalised for that?" CJI Gavai asked.

On May 2, the Supreme Court had found JSW's resolution plan in "flagrant violation and contravention" of the IBC, citing lapses by the Resolution Professional.

The court had then invoked Article 142 of the Constitution to direct the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) to initiate liquidation proceedings.

'Constructive' talks in U.S., says Govt., silent on next meeting

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Indian delegation led by Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal held "constructive" meetings with officials in the U.S. government during its visit to New York this week, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry said.

It added the two sides also discussed the possible contours of a Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA).

However, the statement fell short of mentioning the next date of formal negotiations for the deal, or whether such a date has indeed been decided.

The Indian delegation had been in the U.S. since September 22-24, while sources confirmed Mr. Goyal returned to India a few days later.

"The Minister had meetings with Ambassador Jamieson Greer, United States Trade Representative and Mr. Sergio Gor, U.S. Ambassador designate to India."

The Indian delegation also held discussions with important U.S.-based businesses and investors on how to promote trade and investment between the two countries.

Revised fuel-efficiency norms offer relief for small cars

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Driven by a debate sparked by small-car heavyweight Maruti Suzuki, the revised draft of fuel-efficiency norms released late Thursday proposes special concessions for small cars for the first time, while also extending sops to flex-fuel and strong hybrid vehicles.

The draft norms also offer incentives to flex-fuel and hybrid vehicles, and permit automakers that find it difficult to meet Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) targets to band together in a pool with up to two other companies. CAFE norms set fuel economy targets for automakers with the twin goals of lowering fuel consumption and cutting CO2 emissions. Introduced in 2017, the third phase of CAFE, for which the latest draft has been issued, will come into effect from 2027-2028 till 2031-2032.

CAFE norms set fuel economy targets for automakers to cut fuel use and CO2 output.

The revised draft-marked the first time the CAFE norms created a distinct category for "small cars." To qualify, a petrol vehicle must weigh no more than 909 kg, have an engine capacity of 1,200 cc or below and under 4,000 mm in length – a criteria that cover most entry-level hatchbacks and compact sedans. Maruti Suzuki, India's leading small-car manufacturer, is expected to reap the biggest advantage.

Post sanctions, Nayara's exports find new markets

Reuters
SINGAPORE/NEW DELHI

Russia-backed Indian refiner Nayara Energy is exporting oil products through sanctioned tankers and tapping new markets this month as it revives overseas sales in the aftermath of crippling sanctions, LSEG and Kpler shipping data shows.

The privately-owned company halted exports for about two weeks after it was sanctioned by the European Union on July 18 for dealing in Russian oil.

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TENDER NOTICE

RFP for Development of Ponnani Maritime & Industrial Hub, Malappuram, Kerala

The Kerala Maritime Board (KMB) invites a tender for the **Development of Ponnani Maritime & Industrial Hub, Malappuram, Kerala** [ETender number: HOKMB-TVM/481/2025-C1] in Public Private Partnership (**PPP**) mode. The detailed tender document can be downloaded from Government of Kerala's e-procurement portal (**www.etenders.kerala.gov.in**).

Proposals must be submitted on or before **10-11-2025, 06.55 PM**. For further information contact us on **0471-2910040 / 9544410029** or email us to **kmb.kerala@gmail.com**.

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BMTC's NICE Road service emerges top performer; nearly 38 lakh passengers carried

It connects Madavara on Tumakuru Road with Electronics City by making use of the NICE Road that links Tumakuru Road with Hosur Road

Darshan Devaiah B.P.
BENGALURU

The Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation's (BMTC) premium service along NICE Road has turned into one of its success stories. Launched in December, 2023, to provide faster access between Tumakuru Road and Electronics City, the route has carried more than 37.6 lakh commuters and generated ₹17.13 crore in revenue over the past year.

The service, popularly known as NICE-10, connects Madavara on Tumakuru Road with Electronics City by making use of the Nandi Infrastructure Corridor Enterprise (NICE) Road that links Tumakuru Road with Hosur Road. Officials said the strategic use of this tolled stretch has allowed BMTC to bypass some of the city's most congested roads, making the service a preferred choice for office-goers heading towards the IT corridor.

Positive performance

During its first anniversary celebrations in December 2024, the service had already transported more than 25 lakh passengers in its opening year, earning a profit of ₹1.09 crore. Data accessed by *The Hindu*, between July 2024 and August 2025 shows just how much the ridership has expanded: 26 schedules operate daily with 168 trips, covering a total effective distance of over 31.1 lakh km. In this period, the service carried 37,66,702 passengers and brought in ₹17,13,62,527 in revenue.

Electronics City to Madawara
(Jul 2024 – Aug 2025)

- Route: NICE-10 (26 schedules / 168 trips)
- Frequency: **Every 10 minutes**
- Performance snapshot **(13 months)**
- Effective km: **31,12,348 km**
- Revenue earned: **₹17.13 crore**
- Total passengers: **37.66 lakh**

Monthly highlights

- Highest revenue: ₹1.49 crore (May 2025)

BMTC estimates that on an average around three lakh people use the route every month. The buses cover nearly 360 km daily on NICE Road, compared to just 200 km on city roads. FILE PHOTO

"This has become the most sought-after BMTC service on NICE Road. While buses also operate from Vijayanagar, Vidyaranyapura, and Basaveshwaranagar, none of them match the numbers achieved by NICE-10," a senior BMTC official explained.

Shorter travel time

One of the biggest reasons for its popularity is reduced travel time. "The ride takes about 45 to 60 minutes, compared with the delays people face on the city's choked roads. That is why passengers prefer NICE-10," another senior official noted.

BMTC estimates that on an average around three lakh people use the route every month. The buses cover nearly 360 km daily on NICE Road, compared to just 200 km on city roads where congestion significantly cuts into operating efficiency. The smoother traffic flow on NICE Road also means better fuel efficiency. "On this stretch, buses manage 5 km per litre, while within city limits, the average drops to 3 km per litre," the official said.

Service welcomed

Passengers say the NICE-10 service has transformed their daily commute. Manoj Kumar, who travels regularly from Nagasandra, said, "This service has been a complete game changer. I save almost an hour every day compared with taking regular city routes, and the journey is much more comfortable."

Praveen Sharma, another frequent user who commutes between Madavara and Electronics City, said, "The reliability of this service is its biggest strength. I no longer have to waste time stuck in unpredictable traffic. It helps me reach the office on time and without stress," he said.

Concern over lack of bus shelters

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Despite the strong response, regular commuters have pointed out a serious drawback in NICE-10 services – the absence of proper bus shelters along NICE Road. With no designated stopping points, many passengers are forced to wait on the roadside, exposed to sun or rain.

Santosh N., a daily passenger who boards near the Bannerghatta Road toll gate, said the situation is difficult. "The service is excellent, but waiting for the bus is a real challenge. Standing on the roadside without any shelter in the heat or rain is exhausting and unsafe. BMTC must build proper bus stops along this stretch so passengers can wait comfortably," he added..

When asked about this issue, BMTC officials acknowledged the problem but said it required coordination with the private road operator.

"We need to hold discussions with NICE authorities before a decision on bus shelters can be taken," an official clarified.

S.L. Bhyrappa cremated with state honours

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi paying his last respects to Kannada writer S.L. Bhyrappa, in Mysuru on Friday. M.A. SRIRAM

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

Saraswathi Samman awardee and renowned Kannada writer S.L. Bhyrappa, who died in Bengaluru on September 24, was cremated with full state honours here on Friday.

Bhyrappa's body was shifted from Bengaluru to Mysuru on Thursday and was kept for a few hours at Kalamandira where a large number of his admirers and other people paid their last respects.

Among them were senior political leaders, including former Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Mysuru district in-charge Minister H.C. Mahadevappa, Union Minister for Consumer Affairs Pralhad Joshi, T.S. Srivatsa, MLA, former MP Prathap Simha, and Mysuru Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy..

On Friday, the body was taken to his house at Kuvempunagar, where he had lived for decades, to enable the local people to get a last glimpse of the departed writer. After some rituals, the mortal remains were shifted to the crematorium at the foot of Chamundi Hills.

As part of the State protocols, police fired three rounds in the air as a mark of respect to the deceased. The national flag draped on the body was removed, and handed over to the family.

The State protocol was followed by traditional rites after which the pyre was lit by his sons.

Hundreds of people protest against the alleged genocide of Palestinians in Gaza

Pro-Palestine supporters gather at Freedom Park in solidarity with Palestine and condemning Israel's actions in Gaza in Bengaluru on Friday. ALLEN EGENUSE J.

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The slogan "From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free" echoed through Bengaluru's Freedom Park on Friday as hundreds of people gathered to protest against the alleged genocide of Palestinians in Gaza.

Slogans raised

Protesters even raised slogans against world leaders supporting Israel. They criticised both the Central and State governments for previously attempting to silence their voices. Songs opposing support to Israel were sung by the protesters.

The protesters demanded that the Indian government impose a full embargo on Israel, similar to the one enforced against apartheid South Africa, which included diplomatic, commercial, cultural, and sports bans.

They also called for the cancellation or deferment of licences issued to public and private companies supplying military arms and equipment to Israel and demanded a halt to imports or joint ventures related to weapons and surveillance technology.

'End cooperation'

Furthermore, the protesters urged India to end all cooperation with Israeli agencies involved in training Indian police or security forces, as well as any joint operations.

They also demanded the termination of the Labour Agreement between India and Israel, calling for the immediate withdrawal of Indian workers from Israel and a halt to further recruitment.

While several attempts earlier to protest in the city about the situation in Gaza were stopped by Bengaluru police, this time the organisers obtained prior permission, allowing for a peaceful demonstration. Given the sensitivity of the issue, around 200 police personnel were deployed around Freedom Park.

A senior police officer told *The Hindu* that the organisers had requested permission, which was granted with certain conditions, including a ban on slogans that could affect international relations.

"Like every other protest, we have videographed the entire event. It will be reviewed by our team, and any violations of the law will be noted, with cases filed against the organisers and individuals involved," the officer said.

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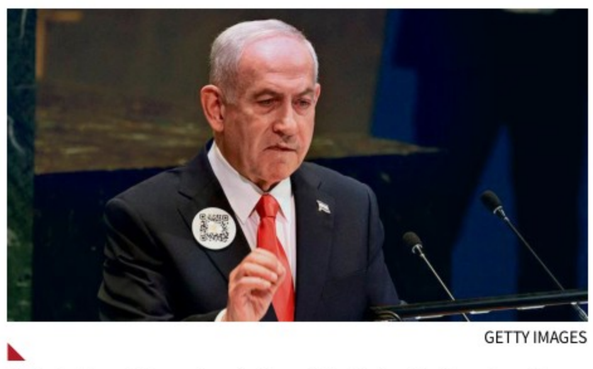
Netanyahu says Israel 'must finish the job' against Hamas in Gaza



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Encircled by critics and protesters at the United Nations, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told fellow world leaders on Friday that Israel "must finish the job" against Hamas in Gaza, giving a defiant speech despite growing international isolation over his refusal to end the devastating war in Gaza. AP

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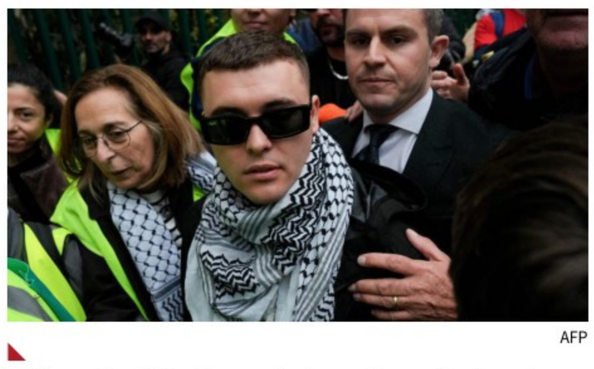
U.K. court dismisses terror charge against rapper in Kneecap group

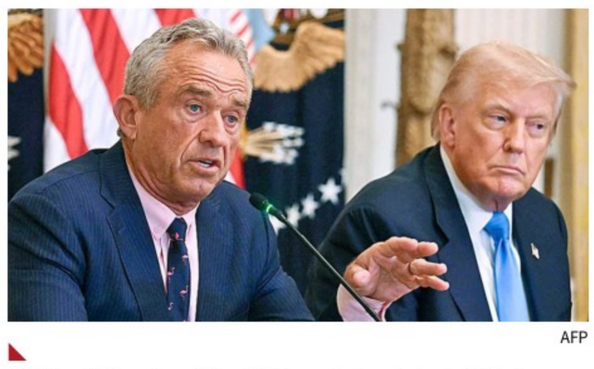


AFP

A U.K. court on Friday threw out a charge of supporting terrorism brought against a Northern Irish singer from the punk rap group Kneecap which had provoked an outcry among its fans. The judge found there had been a technical error in the case against Liam O'Hanna and told him he was "free to go". AFP

UNITED NATIONS

'U.S. rejects UN health declaration on non-communicable diseases'



AFP

U.S. Health Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. rejected a United Nations political declaration on non-communicable diseases on Thursday, saying it "pushes destructive gender ideology". The declaration is expected to secure approval next month from a majority of the WHO's 193 member states. AFP

MANILA

Three dead, 400,000 evacuated as new storm batters Philippines

AFP

The Philippines evacuated hundreds of thousands of people and confirmed at least three deaths on Friday as it faced yet another tropical storm, days after it was battered by deadly Super Typhoon Ragasa. Government officials also raised the death toll from Super Typhoon Ragasa to 14, with thousands still displaced. AFP

Trump holds talks with Pak. PM in the latest sign of warming ties

Sharif invites Trump to visit Pakistan, hailing him as a 'man of peace whose leadership helped facilitate the May ceasefire with India'; accompanied by Army chief Asim Munir, Sharif also thanks Trump for the U.S.-Pakistan tariff arrangement

Associated Press
WASHINGTON

President Donald Trump hosted Pakistan's Prime Minister, Shehbaz Sharif, for talks on Thursday at the White House in the latest sign of warming relations between the U.S. and the South Asian nuclear power.

Mr. Sharif was among the top officials from eight Arab or Muslim countries who met with Mr. Trump on the sidelines of the UN General Assembly this week to discuss strategy on ending the Israel-Hamas war in Gaza.

U.S. President Donald Trump with Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and Field Marshal Asim Munir in Washington on Thursday. PTI

Ties have improved between the U.S. and Pakistan as Mr. Trump's relationship with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, one of the Republican President's closest with a world leader during his first term, has become strained over India's increased purchases of discounted Russian oil after Moscow invaded Ukraine in February 2022.

Mr. Sharif arrived at the White House shortly before 5 p.m. as Mr. Trump was signing executive orders and talking with reporters. The meeting between the two leaders was closed to the media, with Pakistan's delegation leaving the White House at 6:18 p.m.

Invites investments

According to a statement from Mr. Sharif's office, he was accompanied by Pakistan's Army chief, Field Marshal Asim Munir. It said Mr. Sharif praised Mr. Trump as a "man of peace" whose leadership helped avert a catastrophe by facilitating the May ceasefire with India. He thanked Mr. Trump for the U.S.-Pakistan tariff arrangement concluded earlier this year and invited U.S. companies to invest in Pakistan's agriculture, IT, mining and energy sectors.

Both leaders also discussed counterterrorism cooperation, with Mr. Sharif expressing appreciation for Mr. Trump's endorsement of Pakistan's role in combating extremism.

Mr. Sharif extended an invitation for Mr. Trump to make an official visit to Pakistan.

Britain announces plan for mandatory digital ID cards

Associated Press
LONDON

British citizens and permanent residents will have to produce a mandatory digital identification card in order to get work, Prime Minister Keir Starmer announced on Friday, reviving a contentious idea in an effort to show that the government has control of the country's borders.

The government says the plan will help reduce unauthorised immigration by making it harder for people to work in the underground economy. It says it will also make it simpler for people to access health care, welfare, child care and other public services.

To be in place by 2029

"You will not be able to work in the United Kingdom if you do not have digital ID. It's as simple as that," Mr. Starmer told an international meeting of center-left politicians in London. He said the new ID system would be in place before the next election, due by 2029.

Keir Starmer

Britain has not had compulsory identity cards for ordinary citizens since shortly after the Second World War, and the idea has long been contentious, with civil rights campaigners arguing it infringes personal liberty and puts people's information at risk.

Former Prime Minister Tony Blair tried to introduce biometric ID cards two decades ago as a way of fighting terrorism and fraud, but the plan was abandoned after strong opposition from the public and Parliament.

"There's always been this feeling that Britain is not a so-called 'Papers, please' society, in contrast to continental Europe and other countries where ID cards are very common," said Tim Bale, professor of politics at Queen Mary University of London.

Mr. Starmer said people would not have to carry their ID or be asked to produce it, but it will be mandatory to get a job.

Tehran, Moscow ink $25bn nuclear deal

Agence France-Presse
TEHRAN

Iran and Russia signed a $25 billion deal to build nuclear power plants in the Islamic republic, Iranian state media reported on Friday, just hours ahead of the likely return of sweeping UN sanctions on Iran.

"A deal for the construction of four nuclear power plants with a value of $25 billion in Sirik, Hormozgan was signed between the Iran Hormoz company and Rosatom," state television said.

Iran has just one operational nuclear power plant in Bushehr in the south, with a capacity of 1,000 megawatts – just a fraction of the country's energy needs. According to state news agency IRNA, each plant will have a capacity of 1,255 megawatts.

A deal for four nuclear power plants was signed between Iran's Hormoz and Russia's Rosatom

The move comes as so-called snapback sanctions triggered by the European parties to a landmark 2015 nuclear deal with Iran are set to return by the end of Saturday.

Ukraine's front line grows bigger as Russia shifts tactics: top commander

Associated Press
KYIV

The front line on the battlefield in Ukraine has grown in length to nearly 1,250 km, stretching Kyiv's defences, while Russian forces employ a new tactic of sending swarms of small assault groups to infiltrate Ukrainian lines, Ukraine's top military commander says.

The line of contact has grown by roughly 200 km over the past year, and Ukrainian forces are averaging between 160 and 190 combat engagements every day with Russia's bigger army, Gen. Oleksandr Syrskyi said in a review of the battlefield situation.

New strategy: Commander-in-Chief of the Ukrainian Armed Forces Gen. Oleksandr Syrskyi speaks with lawmakers in Kyiv . FILE PHOTO

At the same time, Russian tactics have switched since the start of the summer from costly large-scale offensives to deploying small assault groups in a new approach that Gen. Syrskyi called the "thousand cuts" tactic. Russian forces have been trying to engulf Ukraine with sheer weight of numbers and relentless barrages of drones, missiles, artillery and glide bombs.

Small assault groups

Gen. Syrskyi said Russia is launching large numbers of small assault groups of about four to six soldiers who use the cover of the terrain to penetrate the front line and then strike Ukrainian rear areas, disrupting supply lines and troop rotations.

However, those small groups become cut off and are trapped by encircling Ukrainian forces, he said in the Ukrainian capital Kyiv.

Trump allies to run TikTok in U.S. deal

Agence France-Presse
WASHINGTON

U.S. President Donald Trump on Thursday signed an executive order laying out a proposed deal for a U.S. version of TikTok that would put control of the app in the hands of the President's allies.

The deal would see Chinese ownership of TikTok reduced to 20% in the United States, and Beijing on Friday reiterated a call for "open, fair" treatment on the issue.

The phenomenally popular short-form video platform says it has over 170 million U.S. users – nearly half the population of the world's top economy. But national security concerns have led Washington to try and wrest TikTok's U.S. operations from the hands of Chinese parent company ByteDance. At a signing ceremony at the White House on Thursday, Mr. Trump said the U.S. version of the app would be run by "highly sophisticated" investors, all his allies, while insisting that the app would not toe any political line.

The investors would include Larry Ellison, the founder of cloud giant Oracle, tech investor Michael Dell and media tycoon Rupert Murdoch.

Sport

Cricketers pushing themselves inspired me: Bolt

Press Trust of India
MUMBAI

Legendary sprinter Usain Bolt says cricket was his inspiration to excel on the track after watching talented cricketers push themselves and give their all on the field.

Bolt, whose name is synonymous with speed and world records, ended his career with eight Olympic gold and 11 World championship top-podium finishes, something never achieved by any track and field athlete.

Ever the showman: Bolt thrilled school children at a promotional event. EMMANUAL YOGINI

Huge fan

"For me, I was a huge cricket fan growing up. So, I watched cricket growing up.

"Watching all the talent of the cricketers growing up and the way they worked and the way they pushed themselves and the way they carried themselves was something that inspired me at a young age to work hard and to be the best that I could be," the Jamaican said in a "Fireside chat" at the Jamnabai Narsee Campus here on Friday.

Jamaica has produced several legendary cricketers like Michael Holding, Courtney Walsh, Chris Gayle and Jeff Dujon, and they might have had an impact on Bolt.

Asked what would be the three words that describe his road to greatness, the 39-year-old Bolt, who holds the 100m world record of 9.58 seconds, said it was all about hard work for him.

"For me, it's as simple as hard work, you know what I mean? It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to the sport. I love track and field, so it's something that I loved growing up and I worked very hard on.

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Vedant and Rahul help India u-19 sweep series

CRICKET

Press Trust of India
BRISBANE

Middle-order batters Vedant Trivedi and Rahul Kumar scored half-centuries while young left-arm spinner Khilan Patel grabbed four wickets as India under-19 crushed Australia under-19 by 167 runs to make a clean sweep of the three-match Youth ODI series, here on Friday.

Competitive total

The 99-run partnership between Vedant (86 off 92 balls) and Rahul (62 off 84 balls) for the fourth wicket paved the way for a competitive 280 for nine.

The home team was in early trouble, losing three wickets with just 39 on the board.

Relentless pressure

With relentless pressure from left-arm pacer Udhav Mohan (three for 26) and spinner Khilan Patel (four for 26), it was bundled out for just 113 in 28.3 overs, handing India its biggest win in the three-match series. It had beaten the hosts by seven wickets and 51 runs in the first two matches.

The scores: India u-19 280/9 in 50 overs (Vihaan Malhotra 40, Vedant Trivedi 86, Rahul Kumar 62, Will Byrom 3/45, Kasey Barton 3/39) bt Australia u-19 113 in 28.3 overs (Alex Turner 32, Tom Hogan 28; Udhav Mohan 3/26, Khilan Patel 4/26).

Toss: India u-19.

WI's Shamar to miss India Tests

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Star West Indies pacer Shamar Joseph was on Friday ruled out of the upcoming Test series against India due to an unspecified injury. Uncapped all-rounder Johann Layne replaced him in the squad. The two-match Test series is set to begin in Ahmedabad on October 2. "Johann Layne has replaced Shamar Joseph in the squad for the Test series against India," Windies Cricket announced on X.

The Board did not disclose the details of the 26-year-old's injury. But it stated that he will be revaluated ahead of the white-ball series against Bangladesh, starting on October 18.

New corporations granted funds amounting to ₹488.56 crore

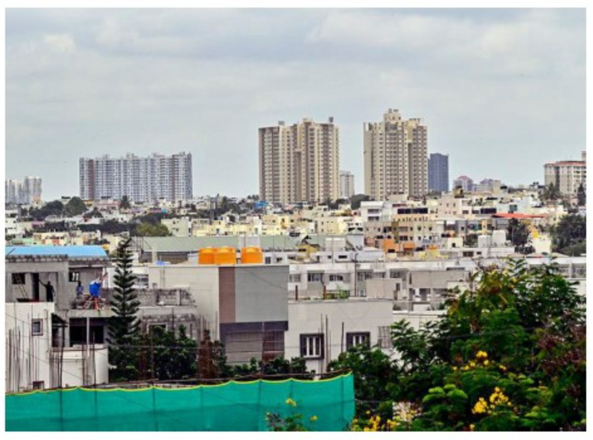
The grant ensures civic functions to continue smoothly despite the ongoing administrative transition, a govt. order noted

Rishita Khanna
BENGALURU

The State government has ordered the release of ₹488.56 crore for the five newly formed corporations within the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA), with Bengaluru West Corporation receiving the largest share of the funds and East Corporation getting the least. While the projected revenue of the East Corporation is the highest, it is the lowest for the West.

This is the third time the government has sanctioned funds to the corporations, sources confirmed. The new grant is intended to keep the new corporations operational until March 2026. The distribution prioritises salaries of pourakarmikas and permanent staff, establishment expenses, and basic operations, the order noted.

West Corporation got the highest share with ₹131 crores, followed by South, Central, North, and East. This ensures that civic functions such as garbage collection, street maintenance, and staff payments continue smoothly despite the ongoing administrative transition, the order said.



A total of ₹176 crore will be credited to the GBA for infrastructure, of which ₹42.34 crore must remain in escrow as directed by the National Green Tribunal. K. MURALI KUMAR

Beyond the corporation-wise allocation, the order outlines several other financial transactions. A total of ₹176 crore will be credited to the GBA for infrastructure, of which ₹42.34 crore must remain in escrow as directed by the National Green Tribunal. Another ₹87.42 crore collected through statutory deductions, including various cess and contributions to Employee's State Insurance and Provident Fund, will be sent to the respective departments and institutions.

A larger pool of ₹887.09 crore under Finance Commission grants, Swachh Bharat, Amruth Yojana deposit contributions, and Brand Bengaluru funds have been earmarked, but not released immediately. The order noted that the government has instructed that this money remain in reserve until the transfer of related files and works from the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) to the new corporations is completed.

Distribution of funds to corporations

West	₹131 crore
South	₹98 crore
Central	₹91 crore
North	₹85 crore
East	₹83 crore
Total funds	₹488 crore

To cover the cost of upcoming civic elections, the order sets aside ₹100 crore, which will be handled by the election committee. In the meantime, the Salary Fund account will continue to be used to pay staff salaries and statutory deductions for August and September, with adjustments to be made once the new financial structures are in place.

The government has also taken steps to settle long-pending contractor bills. These will be reconciled with the balances available in BBMP's accounts and cleared in phases after due verification. This, the order said, is expected to ease the cash flow pressure on contractors who have been waiting since BBMP's accounts were frozen following the GBA's notification earlier this month.

The order also authorises the closure of all bank accounts held in BBMP's name. Officers have been directed to complete settlement of statutory deductions, transfer remaining balances to the five corporations and the GBA, and ensure no liabilities are left unattended.

Lokayukta: Prepare report to address flooding in tech park, other areas

Rishita Khanna
BENGALURU

The Lokayukta has directed the Bengaluru Urban district administration, Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB), and other officials from city corporations to prepare a detailed technical report with maps identifying possible routes to reconnect stormwater to the main drain with a view to address the persistent flooding in Manyata Tech Park and adjoining neighborhoods.

The current condition was described as "very pathetic" by the Lokayukta, that could result in serious flooding during heavy rains. During the recent hearing, it was revealed that the area where the original stormwater drain passed had been classified as 'B' kharab land and allocated to various landowners. As a result, the drain is blocked, and rainwater cannot reach the main drain.

"The fact remains that what has been granted is the area where the original drain used to pass. It is also evident from the presentation made by the Deputy Commissioner and the CEO of the KIADB and the Commissioner of the North City Corporation that the drains are blocked and there is no access to rain or stormwater to reach the main drain. If that is so, it is a very pathetic scenario because it will result in flooding on account of heavy rains," the order dated September 24, said.

As per the order reviewed by *The Hindu*, officials from the district administration, KIADB, and city corporations stated that they would hold a joint inspection and meeting, and involve private companies such as Manyata, Karle, and Manpho, among others. They are also committed to preparing an expert technical report, including maps or sketches showing possible drain routes. If a single drain is insufficient to handle the volume of rainwater, supplementary drains will be planned to prevent flooding. The Lokayukta directed that this work must be undertaken expeditiously.

Other areas

The Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) will commence the installation of push boxes in Sai Layout, another flood-prone area, once permission is granted by the Railway Department, Engineer Member H.R. Shantharajanna informed the Lokayukta. He said the required boxes are already being prepared, and a work order has been issued to the contractor.

In the meantime, temporary measures have yielded results, preventing flooding in the area. Mr. Shantharajanna said that as soon as the rainy season ends, the BDA will once again pursue the Railway Department for necessary approvals.

Earlier, it had been noted that a tender had been called to provide an additional vent through push boxes for smooth flow of stormwater.

Meanwhile, work to lay a road under the Panathur Railway Bridge has been completed. A temporary katcha drain has been provided to allow stormwater access. East City Corporation has filed a report, and Chief Engineer Lokesh M. has been instructed to submit photographs and a detailed report.

Officials instructed to conduct voter list revision without lapses

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Bengaluru District Election Officer and Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) Chief Commissioner M. Maheshwar Rao on Friday instructed officials to conduct the Special Summary Revision of the voter list of 2025 across the city without any lapses. He said that complaints related to the voter list must be addressed promptly and requested information should be provided to political parties immediately.

The Special Summary Revision for 2025 comes amidst allegations of electoral roll manipulation by Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha and senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi. Speaking at a meeting with party representatives at the GBA central office, Mr. Rao said that the revision process is being carried out in 8,972 polling stations across Bengaluru district, following the directives of the Election Commission of India.

"Preparations for the exercise are already under way. Meetings have been held at the levels of Additional District Election Officers and Electoral Registration Officers, and political party representatives have been asked to participate in constituency-level discussions led by Electoral Registration Officers," Mr. Rao added.

Mr. Rao further said that Booth Level Officers (BLOs) overseeing the revision have been instructed to work even on holidays, with all necessary arrangements in place. Political parties have also been asked to actively participate and appoint booth agents to support the process. Special camps will be organised to facilitate the revision process, and meetings will be held every 15 days to share updates and information, he said.

Potholes in city largely a result of BJP's legacy: Ramalinga Reddy

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The political slugfest over Bengaluru's potholes continues unabated, with Karnataka Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy on Friday alleging that the deteriorating condition of the city's roads is largely a result of the BJP's legacy in the State.

Addressing press persons at Vidhana Soudha, the Minister said, "Congress MLAs have received just ₹682 crore for road-related works. When the BJP was in power, ₹6,116 crore was sanctioned for filling potholes. Of this, only ₹3,346 crore was utilised. With so much money spent, why do we still see potholes across Bengaluru?"

Mr. Reddy criticised the BJP for staging a symbolic protest earlier this week, where party leaders filled potholes with soil. "Who puts soil into potholes? At the very least, they should have used gravel," he remarked, taking a swipe at the Opposition's recent demonstration.

Acknowledging the persistent issue of potholes, the Minsiter said that the problem worsens during the monsoon. "I am not denying the issue. Yes, there are potholes, and it is the duty of municipal bodies and the government to repair them," he said.

Mr. Reddy added that previous administrations had also faced criticism for this matter, and pointed out that 17 people had lost their lives in accidents caused by potholes during the BJP's tenure in the State.

According to the Minister, lakhs of potholes were left unattended during BJP's regime in the State. He asserted that the current government is working to resolve the issue and ensured safer roads for commuters.

Commissioner orders reopening and restoration of service roads

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

North Corporation Commissioner Pommala Sunil Kumar on Friday directed officials to reopen and restore service roads for vehicular traffic in areas where metro construction along the Hebbal-K.R. Puram stretch has been completed.

During an inspection covering the stretch from Hebbal flyover to Ramamurthy Nagar Junction along the Outer Ring Road (ORR), the commissioner said there should be better coordination between the departments to complete all the pending works. On the stretch between the Hebbal flyover and Venkatan Cafe Road, major metro construction work is being carried out. To facilitate smooth public movement, the BMRCL has been directed to begin road restoration activities after the completion of works.

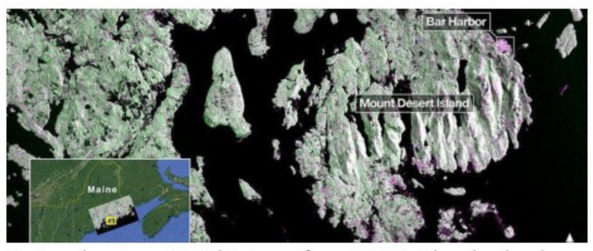
Traffic congestion at the Outer Ring Road between Marathahalli and Bellandur. FILE PHOTO

A raid was conducted at a single-use plastic manufacturing unit in Chamarajapet, leading to the seizure of banned plastic items. It was led by Karee Gowda, Chief Executive Officer, Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited (BSWML). The raid took place at one of the units under the jurisdiction of Central Corporation, following accurate information about large-scale illegal production.

NISAR sends first radar images of Earth's surface

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) Earth-observing radar satellite has sent the first images of Earth's surface as the joint mission between NASA and ISRO approaches full science operations later this year.



Captured on August 21, this image from NISAR's L-band radar shows Maine's Mount Desert Island. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

NASA said that the images from the spacecraft, which was launched by ISRO on July 30, display the level of detail with which NISAR scans Earth to provide unique, actionable information to decision-makers in a diverse range of areas, including disaster response, infrastructure monitoring, and agricultural management.

"By understanding how our home planet works, we can produce models and analysis of how other planets in our solar system and beyond work as we prepare to send humanity on an epic journey back to the Moon and onward to Mars," said NASA Associate Administrator Amit Kshatriya.

He added that the successful capture of these first images from NISAR is a remarkable example of how partnership and collaboration between two nations, on opposite sides of the world, can achieve great things together for the benefit of all.

NASA said that on August 21, the satellite's L-band synthetic aperture radar (SAR) system, which was provided by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Southern California, captured Mount Desert Island on the Maine coast.

"Dark areas represent water, while green areas are forest, and magenta areas are hard or regular surfaces, such as bare ground and buildings. The L-band radar system can resolve objects as small as 15 feet (five metres), enabling the image to display narrow waterways cutting across the island, as well as the islets dotting the waters around it," NASA said.

It added that on August 23, the L-band SAR captured data of a portion of northeastern North Dakota straddling Grand Forks and Walsh counties.

The U.S. space agency further said that the images demonstrate how the L-band SAR can discern what type of land cover – low-lying vegetation, trees, and human structures – is present in each area.

"This capability is vital both for monitoring the gain and loss of forest and wetland ecosystems, as well as for tracking the progress of crops through growing seasons around the world," it said.

ISRO invites proposals from nation's scientists

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) on Thursday issued an Announcement of Opportunity (AO) inviting scientists within India to analyse archival data from past Venus missions.

India's maiden mission to Venus, Venus Orbiter Mission (VOM) was approved by the Union Cabinet in 2024.

Sun-Venus interaction

The mission will involve a spacecraft orbiting Venus to study its surface, atmosphere, and the Sun-Venus interaction.

"In order to promote, strengthen and to increase the scientific user community for the VOM, ISRO invites researchers through the AO call for promoting the analysis and modelling of archival data available for the planet Venus," ISRO said.

The space agency said that proposals could be submitted by individuals or a group of scientists and academicians belonging to national institutions, universities, colleges, planetaria and government organisations of India. "Only those having a minimum remaining service of four years before superannuation are eligible to lead the project as Principal Investigators (PI)," the space agency said.

The deadline for submission of proposals is November 15, 2025.

Research areas

The research proposals are invited in the following research areas: venusian morphology, topography and sub-surface studies, geological mapping, mineralogy and surface composition of Venus, venusian atmosphere structure, dynamics and composition, venusian Ionosphere and solar wind interaction and modelling of venusian atmospheres and Ionospheres.

The space agency said that it expects the project to be completed within three years.

On October 1, 2024, ISRO revealed the targeted launch window for the mission.

According to the targeted launch window for the VOM, the Earth departure date is scheduled on March 29, 2028, and the arrival date on Venus is July 19, 2028.

The space agency had said that the VOM will be launched by the Launch Vehicle Mark-3 (LVM-3).

Age limit relaxed

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Home Minister G. Parameshwara on Friday ordered amendments to relax the age limit for the recruitment of police sub-inspectors and constables.

Mr. Parameshwara directed the department to amend the cadre and recruitment rules, raising the maximum age limit for sub-inspector posts to 32 years for SC/ST and backward class candidates and 30 years for general category candidates. For police constable posts, the limit will now be 30 years for SC/ST and backward class candidates and 27 years for general category candidates. Previously, the upper age limit for sub-inspectors was 30 years for SC/ST and backward class candidates and 28 years for general candidates. For constables, it was 27 years and 25 years respectively.

Fellowship for research on brain ageing

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Centre for Brain Research (CBR) at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) has received a philanthropic contribution to establish the Amba Subba Rao Fellowship for women researchers in the field of brain ageing.

Created through donation from the family of late Amba Subba Rao, this fellowship is aimed at empowering early-career women scientists affiliated with CBR and promoting gender equity in research on brain ageing. CBR said that women remain significantly underrepresented in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

It added that from early education through professional careers, they face multiple barriers that hinder the demonstration of their full potential.

"These challenges have resulted in a persistent 'leaky pipeline', where talented women leave STEM fields prematurely due to systemic biases and inadequate institutional backing." CBR said.

Timings
BENGALURU

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RISE	10:23 SET 21:52
SUNDAY, SEP. 28	
RISE	06:09 SET 18:11
RISE	11:16 SET 22:41
MONDAY, SEP. 29	
RISE	06:09 SET 18:11
RISE	12:08 SET 23:34

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Bengaluru Today
27°C The weather will be comfortable. Night will be pleasant. Spell of light to moderate rain and thundershower to occur.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, PWD, CIRCLE BIKANER

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Short Term NIB NO. 09/2024-25

Bid for **Construction of RUB at Chak 273 RD Nathwana** Sanctioned are invited from interested bidders upto 6.00 PM dt. 30.09.2025 (Tuesday) Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in) of the state and DIPR department website. The approximate values of the procurement is Rs. **771.26** Lakhs.

UBN Code No.

PWD2526WLOB12710

DIPR/C/14082/2025

Superintending Engineer, PWD, Circle Bikaner

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT SURGEON, SNR DISTRICT HOSPITAL, KOLAR

Phone No.08152-22203536, Email.dskolar@gmail.com

NO: SNR/SUP/RC/51/2024-25 Date: 25.09.2025

E -TENDER INVITATION (Call-4)

Bids are hereby invited for the supply of Drugs, Laboratory reagents and other miscellaneous items on rate contract basis to SNR hospital, Kolar. Details of tender terms and conditions are available on E-tender portal **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Tendering authority reserves the right to cancel any or all e-bids without assigning any reasons bidders are advised to visit the website regularly for updated information from time to time. **(1)** IFT No: NO: SNR/SUP/RC/51/2024-25, Date: 25.09.2025, **Estimated Cost: Rs.1 Crore, EMD : 2,00,000/- , Last date for submission: 09.10.2025, 05:00 PM. (2)** IFT No: NO: SNR/SUP/RC/52/2024-25, Date: 25.09.2025, **Estimated Cost: Rs. 80 lakhs, EMD:1,60,000/-, Last date for submission: 09.10.2025, 05:00 PM.**

Sd/- DISTRICT SURGEON
SNR DISTRICT HOSPITAL, KOLAR

DIPR/RO:299/KSMCA/KOLAR/2025-26

ಪುರಸಭೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ ನವಲಗುಂದ

(ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ: ಧಾರವಾಡ, ರಾಜ್ಯ: ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ)

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಪುಸನ/ಅಮೃತ್–2.0/ಟೆಂಡರ್/ವಹಿ/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26–09–2025

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ)

ನವಲಗುಂದ ಪುರಸಭೆಯಿಂದ ಅಮೃತ್–2.0 ಅನುದಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ 63.27 ಲಕ್ಷ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ 63.27 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ. **DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT48556,** ನೇದ್ದರ **1** ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನ ಗೊಳಿಸಲು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಆದ್ಯಾದೇಶ 1999 – 2000 ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಆಕ್ಟ್ 2000 ರ ನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಡ್‌ನ ನಿಯಮದನ್ವಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **13–10–2025** ರಂದು ನಿಗದಿ ಪಡಿಸಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ದ್ವಿ–ಲಕೋಟೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಲು ಇಚ್ಚಿಸುವವರು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತರಾದ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು.

ಸೂಚನೆ: ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹಾಗೂ ಯಾವುದೇ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಅಥವಾ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಯನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

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RECRUITMENT NOTICE

Advertisement No: ICTS-Notice-2025/04 **Date: 27 September 2025**

The Centre is looking for highly motivated and self-driven individuals for an appointment for the below posts at its Bengaluru Campus.

Sl No.	Position	Section	No. of posts	Upper age limit (as on 1st July 2025)	Consolidated Monthly Emoluments
1	Technical Trainee	AV	1	28	23000
2	Project Clerk	Accounts	1	28	41100
3	Project Clerk	Purchase & Stores	1	28	41100
4	Project Scientific Officer C	Centre Directors' Office	1	28	103400

For post no. 1, candidates should report for the selection process on **Friday, 10 October 2025 at 10:00 am** with a copy of their CV and relevant original certificates stating their educational qualifications and experience along with a photocopy of these documents.

For posts no. 2, 3 & 4, candidates should apply **only ONLINE latest by 19 October 2025.**

For more information, please visit the website **www.icts.res.in.**

Establishment Section

KARNATAKA STATE POLICE HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.,

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)

#59, Richmond Road, (Gen K.S.Thimmaiah Road) Bengaluru-25.
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No. EE/KSPH&IDCL/CNT/TND/04/2025-26/175 Date: 26.09.2025

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

KSPH & IDCL invites **ONLINE** tender as per KTPP 2000 Act & as per Standard Tender Document through KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the below works.

Name of Works:

1. **Renovation of Toilet Room, External & Internal Painting, External Sanitary Line and Drain work for Rain Water and Electrification work for (SPORTI-1) and Renovation of Existing General Toilets, External Painting and Providing Puf Sheet at Terrace Floor, Formation of Modular Kitchen, Dining furnishing for (SPORTI-2) at Bengaluru.**
   (APT Excluding GST Rs.87.37 Lakhs).
2. **Construction of 6 Common Toilet Blocks, Repair and renovation of barracks 2,3,4,5, Repairs and renovation of barrack, Repairs and renovation of VC and CCTV room, Repairs and renovation of Kitchen, UGD Provision for existing prison premises Repairs and renovation of Ration and Godown at District Prison, Karwar in Uttara Kannada District. (APT Excluding GST Rs.165.76 Lakhs).**

Interested eligible Contractors may participate in the tendering process. The details such as Tender fee, EMD, Tender Documents etc., are available on KPPP from **29/09/2025 onwards.**

"KSPH & IDCL reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without assigning any reasons."

Note: Henceforth any changes / modifications in the tender will be updated only on KPPP.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer-Contracts

DIPR/CP/3009/SPAN/2025-26

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA NIYAMITHA

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
Office of the Executive Engineer, No:2 VC Division, Maddur-571428. Mandya Dist

SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION NO-01/2025-26
Dated : 22.09.2025
Two cover System
Through e-procurement

This office's tender Notification No.01/2025-26, Dated: 22.09.2025 for a total No of 06 works (Minimum amount-170.00 lakhs Maximum amount Rs. 4950.00 lakhs). Item wise rate tender Is Invited from eligible contractors. Tender queries and clarification as per e-portal. E.M.D should be paid through E-payment. Last date of submission of tenders through on-line : As per e-Portal, Date of opening of tender As per e-portal. For additional Information log on to http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/-Executive Engineer, Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Ltd, No.02, VC Division, Maddur.

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಸನಿ–ಮಂ/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/461/2025–26

Government of Karnataka
OFFICE OF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

(District Urban Development Cell Haveri)

Ph.: 08375-249097, e-mail : eedudchaver@gmail.com

No.: DUDC/Eng/NGT-4/T.N/2025-26 Date : 20-9-2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Executive Engineer, District Urban Development Cell Haveri District Haveri CMC invites e-tenders for the following Work Indents Under Amrut Nagarothana Phase-4. Interested Contractor can download the tender documents from the e-procurement portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sl. No.	Indent Number	Estimated Amount (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	DMA/2025-26/BD/WORK_INDENT 42834	191.00

Sd/- **S.S. MATTIKATTI**
Executive Engineer
District Urban Development Cell
Haveri District Haveri

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CORRIGENDUM No.02

As per this office tender Notification No. 033/PB/Tender/5054/2025-26/1286/Dated:21-07-2025 & Corrigendum Notification No. 1475/D:06-08-2025.

Regarding Sl.No. 10 work (Work Indent No. 22447) the schedule of date are modified as below.

1. Last Date and Time for receipt of Tenders	06-10-2025, 4.00 pm
2. Date and Time of Opening of Technical Bid	08-10-2025, 4.30 pm
3. Date and Time for opening of Financial Bid	10-10-2025, 11.00 am

Further Sl.No. 10 (Work Indent No. 22447) Indent number is changed from Work Indent No. 22447 to Work Indent No. 27608.

Further there are no changes in the tender notification.

Sd/- **Executive Engineer**
PWD Division, Haveri

Government of Karnataka
Gadag Betageri City Municipal Council Office -582101

Dist: GADAG STATE : KARNATAKA
MOB: 08372-259932 E-Mail: ka.gadag.betageri.cmc@gmail.com

NO.GBCMC/Tech/Sec/Tendor/Vahi/ 2025-26 Date: 26-09-2025

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tender has been invited as per Karnataka Transparency in public Procurement Act 1999-2000 subject to Standard Tender Document Rules through e-procurement for a total 03 work Under the 15th Financial Unrestricted (Tied) Grant of the Year 2025-26 and Under the Central Government's Amrit 2.0 grant scheme in Gadag-Betageri Municipality for a total amount of **Rs. 217.89 lakhs,** For the Indent Nos : **(1) DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT 49654, (2) DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT49655, (3) DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT47954,** Therefore tender can be submitted through e-procurement portal website in www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in can be viewed.

Bidders can obtain the tender details from the KPPP Portal, pay the relevant EMD tender fees in ELECTRONIC format and submit the tender on the dates specified below.

Last date for submission of tender	**09-10-2025 Up to 16.00 Hours**
Date of opening of technical bid	**10-10-2025 Up to 16.30 Hours**

The date and other changes related to the said tender will be published in the KPPP Portal and will not be published in a press release.

Sd/- Municipal Commissioner Gadag Betageri CMC

Sd/- Administrative Officer Municipal Council Gadag-Betageri and Deputy Commissioner Gadag.

DIPR/Gadag/310/DeshpandePublicity/2025-26

Tumakuru City Corporation, Tumakuru

Website: www.tumakurucity.mrc.gov.in
Phone No:2278480, Fax: 2275106 e-mail : itstaff_ulb_tumkur@yahoo.com Grievance: 0816-2272200, 2271200

No:TCC/Engineer Section/Civil/CR/14/2025-26 DATED: 24.09.2025

Tender Notification

The Executive Engineer, Tumakuru City Corporation, Tumakuru invites tenders as per the KTPP act 1999-2000 through KPPP portal for Corporation Grant and Amrut-2.0 Grant work for tenders Eligible Contractors with PWD License certificate can Participate in the Tender.

Contractors can download and submit the tenders through KPPP portal http/kppp.karnataka.gov.in Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Calendar of Events and other information are as follows:

1. Date of reciept of Tenders : 24-09-2025. 2. Last Date for Submission of Tenders : 10-10-2025 at 1.30 pm. 3. Pre-Bid Meeting : 30-09-2025 at 11.30 am. 4. Date of Opening of Tenders (Technical Bids) : 13-10-2025 at 10.30 am. 5. Date of Opening of Tenders (Financial Bids) : 14-10-2025 at 10.45 am. Postponement of calendar of events (if any) is only Through KPPP portal and will not be published in newspapers.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Tumakur City Corporation Tumakuru

DIPR/TUM/309/KSMCA/2025-26

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, RAMATULASI Ndee w/o Rambabu Endi, r/o: Anugraha Icon, Ftno.205, 3rd Flr, Shivaganga Layout, 3rd Crs Mahadevapura Blr–560048. Have changed my name as Ramtulasi Endi. Vide affidavit on 25/09/2025.

I, RAMBABU Ndee s/o Chandra Rao Endi, r/o: Anugraha Icon, Ftno.205, 3Rd Flr, Shivaganga Layout, 3Rd Crs Mahadevapura Blr–560048. Have changed my name as Rambabu Endi. Vide affidavit on 25/09/2025.

I, JANAKIRAM Ndee s/o Rambabu Endi, r/o: Anugraha Icon, Ftno.205, 3Rd Flr, Shivaganga Layout, 3Rd Crs Mahadevapura Blr–560048. Have changed my name as Janakiram Endi. Vide affidavit on 25/09/2025.

I, JAYASREE Sudharsan D/o T. Kasinathan, Flat No:411, Majestic fortune, A block, Eswara layout, 2nd main Rd, Bangalore 560062. Henceforth be known as JAYASREE UMA

I, SHIVASHARANAPPA Ambaraya Hugar S/o Ambaraya, R/o 186 SIMGB12, Yelehanka have changed my name to Shivasharanappa.

I, MISS Raksha Km Gupta, D/o Mr. Prem Kumar Das, resident of Village–Buragoan, Lokra, Dafala Goan, Sonitpur, Assam – 784102, do hereby declare that my name has been recorded as Rakshya Kumari in my father's Service Record (Army) and in some other official documents. My correct name is Raksha Km Gupta. Henceforth, I shall be known as Raksha Km Gupta for all official purposes.

I, Swadha, D/o Krishna Kumar Sinha, residing at A302, SJR Brooklyn, Brookfield, Bangalore, have changed my name to Swadha Srivastava, after marriage with Srijan Srivastava, for all future purposes.

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LEGAL NOTICE

BEFORE THE SPECIAL DISTRICT JUDGE NO.I, CUDDALORE, TAMILNADU
MCOP NO.186/2025

A.VIJAYAKUMARI,
W/o. Velayutham - & Others,
Devanampattinam,
Cuddalore-607001. .. Petitioners
-Vs-
A.MALLIKARJUNA
S/o A.Sanna Chikkanna,
Kakkabevinahalli, Bellari,
Karnataka - 583103. ..1st Respondent

NOTICE TO 1st RESPONDENT

The petitioners claimed compensation of **Rs. 99,00,000/-** (Rupees Ninety Nine Lakhs) for **death of VELAYUTHAM** by your Lorry bearing **Regn. No. KA-34-B-8001** in a motor accident on **24.07.2023**. The case is posted to **08.10.2025** for your appearance. You should appear in the above court in person or through Advocate at **10.00 AM on 08.10.2025** and file your objections else the case will be decided in your absence.

M. Sivamani, B.A., BL.,
Advocate for Petitioners,Cell No. 9443129416

TENDERS

PACE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCES (AUTONOMOUS)
ONGOLE - 523 272, ANDHRA PRADESH
Website: https://pace.ac.in

AICTE IDEA LAB TENDER NOTICE

PACE Institute of Technology and Sciences (Autonomous) hereby invites sealed tender through a two-bid system (Technical & Commercial) from qualified and reliable suppliers and vendors for the supply and installation of machinery and equipment for the Establishment of **AICTE IDEA** (Idea Development, Evaluation & Application) **LAB** at **PACE** Institute of Technology and Sciences. Prospective suppliers and vendors are requested to refer to the tender details available on our official website: **https://pace.ac.in**

All tender submissions must be received on or before **25th October 2025 by 5:00pm.**

Email id: idealab@pace.ac.in

Sd/- Principal

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12 Nos 80/250KW TTG Wind Mills Plus 6 Nos 315 KW Mitsubishi Wind Mills with Auxiliaries and **78 Acres** of Land Located at Ramagiri (V), Sri Satya Sai Dist., Andhra Pradesh, India.

38 MW HFO/Diesel oil based Power Plant which incl. 3 Nos Man B&W 12 V 48/60 Engines along with associated Equipment Located at Bellary Dist, Karnataka.

Proposals /offers to be submitted before 15.10.2025

Contact : V. BHASKAR, Sr.GM-Elec, 9848076503, bhas_vemula@yahoo.co.in

Aeronautical Development Agency

(Ministry of Defence, Govt. of India)
PB No. 1718, Vimanapura Post, Bangalore-560017

ADA:ADV-132:2025 **Date: 25-09-2025**

CANCELLATION

SUB: RECRUITMENT OF PROGRAMME BASED MANPOWER ON LIMITED TENURE CONTRACT APPOINTMENT

Advertisement No. ADA:ADV-132-2025 dated 12.05.2025 for Recruitment of Programme Based Manpower on Limited Tenure Contract Appointment at ADA stands cancelled due to administrative reasons.

Director (Admin & HR), ADA

KERALA MEDICAL SERVICES CORPORATION LTD

(DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE, GOVT. OF KERALA)
Head Office : Thycaud, Thiruvananthapuram-14,
(Telephone No. 0471-2945600, 2945646)
E-mail : edrugs.kmscl@kerala.gov.in,
website : www.kmscl.kerala.gov.in, CIN No. U24233KL2007SGC021616

No.KMSCL/ED/81/2024 **Date : 25.09.2025**

RE-TENDER NOTICE

Online bids are invited from manufacturers/loan licensees on behalf of Department of Health, Govt of Kerala for the Procurement of Drugs for the year 2025-26.

Sl. No.	Tender No. and Date	Category	No. of Item
1.	KMSCL/ED/DRUGS/RT/2025/024 dtd: 25.09.2025	Drugs	3

Schedule of dates

Particulars	Date	Time
Last date of online uploading of tenders	08.10.2025	05.00 pm. onwards
Date of technical bid opening	10.10.2025	11.00 am. onwards

Tenders shall be downloaded and submitted online through the e-tender portal **www.etenders.kerala.gov.in.**

(Sd/-) MANAGING DIRECTOR (Tender Inviting Authority)

BRIHANMUMBAI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Chief Engineer (Bridges)
No. Ch E/10761/Bridges dated:- 26/09/2025.

E - TENDER NOTICE

The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) invites the following online tender. The tender copy can be downloaded from e-Procurement System of Government of Maharashtra (Mahatenders) (http://mahatenders.gov.in).

Name of work: Design & Construction of Part A: Construction of Vehicular bridge & elevated road over nalla Connecting MDP Road to Ryan international School with Construction of Additional Arms from Charkop Junction to Ryan International School and widening of the existing Malad-Marve road by 3.65 m on opposite of RG Plot from Mahakali Junction upto nalla towards Mith Chowky near Giridhar park at Malad Marve Road, Malad (W) in P/North Ward.
Part B: Construction of Vehicular Bridge from Lagoon Road to Infinity Mall, Malad (W) in P/North Ward.

Tender Id	Class	E.M.D. in Rs.	Contract period	Cost of Tender Fee Rs.
2025_MCGM_1222030	I (A)	**Rs. 22,50,00,000 /-** (Rs. 2,25,00,000/- through Online Wallet & Rs.20,25,00,000/- in the form of Bank Guarantee.)	42 Months (Excluding Monsoon)	30,250/- + 18% GST

Contact E-mail id: - **dyche01ws.br@mcgm.gov.in**

PRO/1751/ADV/2025-2026

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Sd/-
Chief Engineer (Bridges)

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION (CHENNAI) LIMITED

PALLAVAN ILLAM, ANNA SALAI, CHENNAI - 600 002.

e -TENDER NOTICE

e-TENDERS ARE INVITED FOR THE SUPPLY, TESTING & COMMISSIONING OF 11KV OUTDOOR DISTRIBUTION TRANSFORMER, VACUUM CIRCUIT BREAKER PANELS AND RING MAIN GEAR FOR HEADQUARTERS OFFICE USES, PROCUREMENT OF AUTOMOBILE SPARES & ACCESSORIES FOR BUSES, PROCUREMENT OF THERMAL PAPER ROLL FOR POS MACHINES, PROVISION OF SERVICES FOR BUS BODY PAINTING WORK UNDER LABOUR CONTRACT FROM THE ELIGIBLE TENDERERS WHO SHALL SUBMIT DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE ON BEHALF OF THE MANAGING DIRECTOR IN THE e-PROCUREMENT PORTAL **https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app.**

Sl. No.	DESCRIPTION	E.M.D. Amount
1	Supply, Testing and Commissioning of 11 KV Outdoor Distribution Transformer, VCB and RMG panels for Headquarters Office uses.	Rs.30,000/-
2	Procurement of Paint items for all Types of MTC buses	Rs.90,000/-
3	Procurement of MS Angle, Flat Angel, GI Tube and Aluminum beeding required for Bus body work	Rs.50,000/-
4	Procurement of Plain Thermal Paper in 55 GSM White paper for POS Machines	Rs.1,00,000/-
5	Procurement of Brake Lining & Brake Pad for Leyland Vehicles	Rs.95,000/-
6	Provision of Services for Full & Partial bus body painting work of FC & HFC buses under Labour contract	Rs.75,000/-
7	Procurement of Clutch Disc for Leyland vehicles	Rs.60,000/-
8	Procurement of Ball & Roller Bearing for TATA & Leyland vehicles	Rs.40,000/-
9	Procurement of Rubber & Rubber Parts for Leyland vehicles	Rs.35,000/-

Last date for submission of e-tender : **Upto 02.30 pm on 15.10.2025 (For Sl.No.1 only)**
Upto 02.30 pm on 27.10.2025 (For Sl.No.2 to 9)

Date of opening : **03.00 pm on 15.10.2025 (For Sl.No.1 only)**
03.00 pm on 27.10.2025 (For Sl.No.2 to 9)

The Tender document is available in Government e-Procurement website **(https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app).** Any modification (if any) in tender terms and tender invitation period will be uploaded in the above website and the tenderers are requested to go through the above website periodically.

DIPR/ 5408 /TENDER/2025 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

नैनो एवं मृदु पदार्थ विज्ञान केंद्र

विज्ञान एवं प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग, भारत सरकार के अधीन एक स्वायत संस्था

CENTRE FOR NANO AND SOFT MATTER SCIENCES

Autonomous Institute under the Dept. of Science and Technology, Govt. of India

अर्कावती, सर्वे नंबर 7, शिवनपुरा, दसनपुरा होबली, बैंगलोर उत्तर, 562 162, कर्नाटक
Arkavathi, Survey No.7, Shivanapura, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North 562 162, Karnataka
Tel: + 91 80 2963 0090
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www.cens.res.in

Call for applications/nominations for appointment of Director

The Centre for Nano and Soft Matter Sciences (CeNS), Bengaluru, was established by the Government of India as a specialised centre of excellence to promote research growth in nano and soft matter sciences. CeNS invites applications/nominations for the post of Director from Indian Nationals, with a clear vision for an institution dedicated to these areas of research.

Applications/ Nominations received will be considered by a Search-cum-Selection Committee. Based on the recommendations of the Search-cum-Selection Committee, the Director will be appointed after obtaining the approval of the Competent Authority.

The incumbent will be appointed on Direct Recruitment/ Deputation, including Short-term contract/Re-employment basis for a period of 3 to 5 years or upon attaining the age of superannuation (60 years at present), whichever is earlier.

Pay scale: Pay Level 14 (Rs. 1,44,200- 2,18,200) of 7th CPC

The applicant's age should not exceed 52 years on 01.07.2025.

Applications/nominations should be sent by post to "The Administrative Officer, Centre for Nano and Soft Matter Sciences, Arkavathi, Survey No.7, Shivanapura, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North 562 162", in the prescribed format along with self-attested photocopies of certificates in support of age, qualifications and experience so as to reach this address by within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice in Employment News.

Detailed Advertisement is available at the website of CeNS: **https://www.cens.res.in**

Administrative Officer

ADVERTISEMENT

Prathibha Jewellery House – Where Tradition Sparkles for 70+ Years

Walk into Prathibha Jewellery House and you are not just entering a showroom — you are stepping into seven decades of Bengaluru's living history. In a time when mom-and-pop stores are fast disappearing, this family-run enterprise continues to shine, serving the children, grandchildren, and even great-grandchildren of its very first customers.

From a 7-Foot Wide Shop to a Household Name

The journey began in 1952, in a humble 7x25 ft shop tucked away in Nagarthpet, the then Bengaluru's most bustling market street off Avenue Road. It was the dream of Late Sakala Narasimhulu Chetty, a young entrepreneur who, with guidance from his father-in-law, Late Devatha Sreeramiah Chetty and along with him laid the foundation of what would become an iconic jewellery brand.

Business in the early years was not anything easy. The 1960s and 70s brought not just the wars with China and Pakistan but also the strict Gold Control Act, which banned the manufacture of 22-carat jewellery — a purity Indian customers had cherished for generations. Prathibha endured these difficult years by remaining 100% compliant with the law while never compromising on integrity or transparency.

The Avenue Road Era

In 1962, the store moved to Avenue Road and gradually expanded, adding a mezzanine and first floor by 1970.

This was also the time when Narasimhulu Chetty's two sons — Sharath Kumar and Murali Mohan — joined the business after completing their engineering studies.With the combined efforts of father and sons, Prathibha grew rapidly. By its Silver Jubilee year in 1977,

A panoramic view of Prathibha Jewellery House

it had shifted into a larger space across the street. Its reputation spread far and wide — customers came not only from all over Karnataka but from neighboring Andhra Pradesh and even abroad.

So great was its popularity that customers often lined up outside the store before opening hours, waiting patiently — much like the legendary queues outside MTR restaurant. "Sometimes we could only greet the customer with a smile, knowing they would have to wait an hour before being attended," recalls Sharath Kumar. Interestingly, nearby jewellers often expressed that they were happy serving those customers who spilled out of Prathibha jewellery house.

Sakala Narasimhulu Chetty with sons Sharath Kumar (to his left) Murali Mohan (to his right) and Grandson Sanjeev (at his back)

But those who left impatiently because they could not afford for the long wait at Prathibha eventually came back to Prathibha, saying they regretted buying elsewhere as there were scarcely very few who could match Prathibha's quality and their service.

A Grand Leap Forward

Despite the ever-growing customer base, parking and space constraints remained a challenge at Avenue Road. The turning point came in 2003, when Prathibha shifted to its own three-storey, air-conditioned showroom at Raja Ram Mohan Roy Road near Richmond Circle. Spanning over 6,000 sq. ft. with dedicated basement parking, the new showroom was inaugurated in conjunction with the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the firm — a proud moment for the family and its loyal customers.

Around this time, Sanjeev Mohan, son of Murali Mohan, joined the business. Armed with a degree in Business Studies from Wharton (USA) and gemological training from GIA, Carlsbad, he brought in modern expertise in diamonds to complement the family's decades of practical experience.

Values That Built a Brand

When asked how a single-store partnership turned into an iconic brand, Sharath Kumar answers with a smile:

"Our elders taught us that profit should be like salt in soup — just enough to make it enjoyable for everyone. We simply followed that advice."

This philosophy — personal attention, uncompromising purity, high finish, and prompt service, all done with a smile made Prathibha a trusted jewellery Brand. Remarkably, this reputation was built with very little advertising, relying instead on word-of-mouth and loyal repeat clientele.

Even today, Prathibha remains one of the few jewellery stores in Bengaluru that closes every Sunday religious ly — a decision taken deliberately so that partners and staff can spend time with their families, even if it means sacrificing some business.

Quality Above All

The youngest partner, Sanjeev Mohan, says that every diamond that enters the showroom are personally checked for the quality set up by the firm as we look for only those diamonds that are white in colour, flawless, and most importantly, ideal cuts — so that the brilliance is unmatched"

On the topic of lab-grown diamonds, he is firm:

"Natural diamonds may have seen a dip in prices of big solitaire diamonds only because of the invent of lab-grown diamonds but it is for everybody's understanding that naturals will always rule the hearts of true connoisseurs. Lab-grown diamonds may not retain value as their production keeps increasing. Where as naturals are rare and it will not loose its value. At Prathibha, we stock only natural diamonds and have no plans to change that."

The Men Who Started It All

Devatha Sreeramiah Chetty (1895-1971)

Devatha Sreeramiah Chetty, founder of the "Jewellers Association Bengaluru" (1941), was a visionary businessman and philanthropist. He established Devatha Hostel and Vivekananda Hostel for underprivileged students who would come to Bangalore for their higher studies. and He also founded the Devatha Sreeramiah Chetty Charities, which continues to support education, healthcare, orphanages, and homes for the physically and mentally challenged.

Sakala Narasimhulu Chetty (1926-2023)

Sakala Narasimhulu Chetty, who hailed from Hindupur, married into the Devatha family and learned the trade under his father-in-law's mentorship. He co-founded Prathibha Jewellery House in 1952 and guided it until his passing in 2023, at the age of 97 only two and a half years ago.

His life was marked not just by business success but also by philanthropy — donations to orphanages, old age homes, education initiatives, and free mass marriages through the Arya Vysya Vuchitha Vivaha Seva Samsthe. His own family home was converted into a free hostel for students who could not afford city accommodation.

Looking Ahead

Prathibha Jewellery House celebrated its Diamond Jubilee in 2013 and is now gearing up for its Platinum Jubilee in 2027. Despite the entry of corporate chains with multiple branches, Prathibha continues to thrive as a single-location, owner-run store with one of the largest inventories in the city — offering everything from everyday jewellery to rare, bespoke pieces.

What truly sets it apart is its soul — a place where the owners still greet customers personally, where the staff carry forward the same service values taught decades ago, and where each visit is not just a transaction but an experience of trust and warmth.

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

No. 3748/ PW/EE/BRC/DB/DB-II/25-26 Puducherry dt. 26/09/2025

e-TENDERING NOTICE INVITING BID THROUGH RFP

On behalf of the President of India, Bids are invited for ***"Appointment of Consultant to carry out Consultancy Services for Comprehensive Renovation, Refurbishing, Modification of Internal Spaces, MEP works, Data lines and Face lifting the External Facades to the Secretariat Building at Goubert Avenue, Beach Road, Puducherry"***. Earnest Money: **Rs.40,000/-**, Period of Completion: **4 (Four) Months** (Including Monsoon period). Last time & date of submission of tender on (or) before **3.00 PM** on **15/10/2025.**

For further details please refer the website **www.pudutenders.gov.in** from 10.00 A.M on 29.09.2025

No.443/DIP/AD(Press)/2025-26 **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**

Land Ports Authority Of India

(A statutory body under Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India)

INVITATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT IN VARIOUS POSTS

Land Ports Authority of India invited applications vide E-13012/2/2025/ LPAI/Rect Dated 11-08-2025 from the serving employees of Central / State Government / Union territory Administration / Statutory Body / Autonomous Body, for filling up various posts of Levels 6, 7 and 13 of Pay Matrix Level (7th CPC) mentioned below at its Headquarter in New Delhi and ICPs at Attari and Dera Baba Nanak (Punjab), Petrapole (West Bengal), Raxaul and Jogbani (Bihar), Moreh (Manipur), Dawki (Meghalaya), Rupaidiha (UP), Agartala, Sabroom and Srimantpur (Tripura), Sutarkandi, Mankachar, Darranga and Golakganj (Assam) on deputation (Foreign Service):-

LPAI Sectt., New Delhi

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Pre-revised Pay Band + Grade Pay	Pay Matrix Level (7th CPC)	No. of posts to be filled up
1.	Director	Pay Band-4 + 8700	Level-13	1
2.	Section Officer	Pay Band-2 + 4600	Level-7	1
3.	Private Secretary	Pay Band-2 + 4600	Level-7	1
4.	Assistant	Pay Band-2 + 4200	Level-6	1
5.	Junior Engineer (Civil and Electrical)	Pay Band-2 + 4200	Level-6	4
6.	Personal Assistant	Pay Band-2 + 4200	Level-6	1
			Total	9

2. Complete information of posts, eligibility criteria, application format and other details are available on the website at http://mha.nic.in/vacancies and http://lpai.gov.in.
3. Last date for receiving of applications (in the prescribed format) through proper channel is hereby extended from 26.09.2025 to 26.10.2025. Incomplete applications received after last date shall not be considered.
4. Address for sending applications:
   Deputy Secretary (Administration)
   Land Ports Authority of India
   First Floor Lok Nayak Bhawan
   Khan Market New Delhi-110511
   Tel : No. 011-24340708
   E-mail : dsga-lpai@lpai.gov.in

CBC 19142/11/0002/2526

சித்த மருத்துவ மைய ஆராய்ச்சி நிலையம்
(மத்திய சித்த மருத்துவ ஆராய்ச்சிக் குழுமம், ஆயுஷ் அமைச்சகம், இந்திய அரசு)
सिद्ध केंद्रीय अनुसंधान संस्थान
(सी.सी.आर.एस., चेन्नई, आयुष मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
SIDDHA CENTRAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE
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Anna Govt. Hospital Campus, Arumbakkam, Chennai - 600106, E-mail: crisiddha@gmail.com
Phone: 044-26214925, 26214809, Web: http://crisiddha.tn.nic.in

Advt. No. 1/2025 **Walk-in Interview**

WALK-IN INTERVIEW for the post of **Junior Research Fellow (Chemistry) - One** for IMR research project titled "Elucidating the chemistry of copper based higher order Nano formulations, comprehending Heterogeneous Reaction Systems" at SCRI, Chennai **will be held in the above address on 16.10.2025 at 10.00 a.m.** Details available in the website **https://ccrs.ayush.gov.in**.

Assistant Director (Siddha), Sci - IV & I/c.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1 KARNATAKA
4TH FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU 560001

FORM NO.14
[See Regulation 33(2)]By Regd. A/D, Dasti failing which by Publication.
DEMAND NOTICE
NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993-AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961. As Amended

14.07.2025

RC/217/2025
STATE BANK OF INDIA
Versus
SMT. SHWETHA T.

In the Matter of;
(CH-1)
STATE BANK OF INDIA,RASMEC HOSUR BRANCH,SIPCOT INDUSTRIAL ESTATE,AT SRI VAARI BUILDING, PLOT NO.2, PHASE-I, ZUZUVADI, HOSUR, TAMIL NADU-635 126. **...APPLICANT BANK CERTIFICATEHOLDER**

To,
(CD-1)
SMT. SHWETHA T D/O. T.C. THIPPESWAMY,
RESIDING AT:NO.24, K.NO.1264, NEAR OLD POST OFFICE ROAD, RAMAMURTHY NAGAR,NEAR - ASHWINI NURSING HOME, BANGALORE NORTH, BENGALURU, KARNATAKA-560016.
...DEFENDANTS/CERTIFICATE DEBTORS

CH Name	Int Type/Mode	Int Rate	Effective Date	Order Date	RC Amount (Rs.)
State Bank of India	Compound Interest (Monthly	7.35% p.a	07/03/2022	30/04/2024	42,63,144/-

This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALORE (DRT 1) in **OA/482/2022** an amount of **Rs.42,63,144/- (Rupees Forty Two Lakhs Sixty Three Thousands One Hundred Forty Four Only)** along with cost, expenses and future interest @ 7.35% p.a. Compound Interest Monthly w.e.f. 07/03/2022 till realization and costs of **Rs.77,553/- (Rupees Seventy Seven Thousands Five Hundred Fifty Three Only)** has become due against you (Jointly and severally/ Fully/Limited).

CD Name	Int Type/Mode	Int Rate	Effective Date	Order Date	Liability Type	RC Amount (Rs.)
(CD-1) SMT.Shwetha T	Compound Interest (Monthly	7.35% p.a	07/03/2022	30/04/2024	Fully	42,63,144/-

2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under.
3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.
4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on **02/09/2025** at 10:30 a.m. for further proceedings.
5. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay:
(a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate / execution proceedings.
(b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date: **14/07/2025**

(SANJIV KUMAR)
RECOVERY OFFICER - 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is intending to purchase the Schedule Property from **Smt.Gayathri Rudrachar,** Wife of Late.Sri.Rudrachar, Aged about 67 years, Residing at No.1243/12, 2nd Cross, B.S.K. 2nd Stage, Ashoknagar, Bangalore South, Bengaluru- 560 050, I am investigating the title of the Schedule Property.

Any person/s having any manner of claims/objections for the proposed purchase may lodge their claim/s, objection/s, with the undersigned, with documentary evidence within **Fifteen (15)** days from the date of this publication. Any claims/ objections received thereafter will not be binding on my client and my client will proceed to purchase the Schedule Property as if there are no claims/ objections.

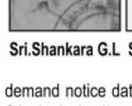
SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Land bearing Sy.No.41, (Block-34A), measuring to an extent of 2.00 Acres, situated at Vaderahalli Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, and bounded on: **East by:** Land bearing Sy.No.41; **West by:** Land bearing Sy.No.104; **North by:** Land bearing Sy.No.41; **South by:** Land bearing Sy.No.41.

Y.S.H.Reddy, Advocate
No.503, 1st Floor, Sai Leela Suites,
1st Main, 7th Cross, H.M.T.Layout,
Parallel to 80 Feet Road, R.T.Nagar,
Bengaluru- 560 032. Mobile: 98863 78570.

SREENIDHI SOUHARDA SAHAKARI BANK NIYAMITHA
#113. R.V.Road, V.V.Puram, Bengaluru - 560004.
Ph.No. 080-25401160/25401161, Mob:9606018413, Email:sssbn3mrh@sreenidhibank.com

PUBLIC NOTICE - POSSESSION NOTICE
APPENDIX - IV, (See Rule 8(1)) r/w Sec. 13(4)(a)


Sri.Shankara G.L

Sri.Reddappa G.L

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **M/s. Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (Central Act No.54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12), 13(2) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a demand notice dated **02/07/2025** calling upon the Borrowers **(1) Sri.Shankara G.L** S/o.Lakshmiramana, aged about 45 years, **(2) Sri.Reddappa G.L,** S/o.Lakshmiramana, aged about 50 years and both are residing at No.45, Malur Road, Siddappa Layout, Opp Alamen School, Hosakote, Bengaluru-562114, **demanding to repay the amount of Rs. 11,94,808/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Eight Only)** together with Interest and Costs thereon, being the loan amount due by them, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers have failed to repay the said amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property owned by **Sri.Shankara G.L** mortgaged to the Bank and described in Schedule herein below, together with all rights to transfer by way of Lease, assignment or sale for realising the above mentioned amount (Secured Asset), in exercise of the powers conferred on them under Section 13(4)(a) of the said Act read with Rule-8 of the said Rules on this **26th day of September 2025.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property and any dealings with the said property will be subject to the charge of **M/s. Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha** for a sum of **₹.11,58,435/- Rupees (Eleven Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Five) only as on 26/09/2025** together with interest and costs thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Vacant Site No.52, City Municipal Khatha No.1370, Situated at Dandupalya Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hosakote Town, Bangalore Rural District, measuring East to West : 30 feet and North to South : 33 feet, in all measuring 990 Sq.feet and bounded on the :- East By : Site No.21, West by : Road, North by : Site No.51, South by : 30 feet Road.

Date : 26.09.2025 **Sd/-**
Place: Bangalore **Authorised Officer**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government Of India Undertaking)

Regional Office : Mandya No. 4 F, Vivekananda Nagar, Chikka Mandya Kere, Mandya - 571401 Mob.: 8660593395 Email id : recmandyaro@canarabank.com

DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)]
TO BORROWERS/ GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS
NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

We, Canara Bank, had issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

Branch : Ramanagaram Branch

1. Name And Address Of The Borrowers/ Co-borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors : Borrower Cum Mortgator : Borrower: Sri. Thammaiah S/o Marilingaiah, Kavanapura Village, Kylancha Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk And District, Karnataka – 562159

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Loan No.	Nature of Loan	Date of Sanction	Limit	Liability with interest as on 12-09-2025	Rate of Interest (including 2% penal interest)
0593256 005288	OD/ OCC	11-09-2009	Rs. 23,50,000.00	Rs. 23,92,591.27	13.35%
181035 907671	KCC	22-08-2025	Rs. 1,00,000.00	Rs. 1,00,000.00	9.00%
		Total	Rs. 24,50,000.00	Rs. 24,92,591.27	

Total Liability Amount : **Rs. 24,92,591.27 (Rupees Twenty Four Lakhs Ninety Two Thousand Five Hundred Ninety One and Twenty Seven Paisa Only)** with further cost and charges, Interest and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date : 10-09-2025 **Demand Notice Dated : 12-09-2025**
Name of Title holder : SRI. THAMMAIAH S/o MARILINGAIAH
Equitable Mortgage of Immovable Property : All That Part And Parcel Property Bearing Khaneshumari No. 159/2, Property No. 15290040150062005 Situated At Kavanapura Village, Kylancha Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk And District. **Measuring : East To West – 75 Feet, North To South – 20 Feet & Total – 1500 Square Feet. Boundaries: East –** Road, **West –** Property Of Ningappa, **North –** Property Of Dyavarasaiah & **South –** Property Of K N Susheela

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank**, within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 27-09-2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Mandya **Canara Bank**

INTIMATION OF UHQ RECRUITMENT RALLY UNDER AGNIPATH SCHEME FOR AGNIVEER GENERAL DUTY, SPORTSMEN, TECHNICAL & TRADESMEN (10th & 8th) AT MADRAS ENGINEER GROUP & CENTRE, BANGALORE WEF 06 OCT 2025 ONWARDS

1 Madras Engineer Group & Centre will be conducting UHQ rect Rally under Agnipath Scheme at Training Battalion III, MS Nagar Gate, MEG & Centre, Bangalore for wards of Serving Soldiers/Ex-servicemen/ Widow/War widow & real brothers of serving solder / ex-servicemen of Madras Engineer Group & all classes (Southem Zone) from Andhra Pradesh. Telangana Tamil Nadu Karnataka, Kerala, Goa and UTs of Pondicherry Andaman & Nicobar Lakshadweep (Wards of other Corps/Regti Centre) and open category for sportsmen & musician. **The schedule of the UHQ recruitment Rally programme are as under-**

Sl No	Date of Events	Events	Remarks
1	29 Sep to 30 Sep 2025	Sports Trial for outstanding Sportsmen for Sailing. Kayaking & Canoeing, Rowing. Football, Hockey, Swimming, Basketball, Volleyball, Boxing, Kabaddi, Squash, Tennis and Long & middle distance in athletics to incl 800 m, 1500m, 5 KM, 10 KM, 21 KM, & 42 KM	**Open Category** (Sportsmen who qualify in trial will be allowed for recruitment screening under sports Quota. Desirous candidates will report at 0600h at SPG Gate on 29 Sep 25)
2	06 Oct 2025	Initial documents checking and 1.6 Kms Run	All candidates including wards of Service person /ESM and Sports person who have qualified in trials will report at Training Battalion III, MS Nagar Gate, MEG & Centre and SPG Gate respectively at 0430hrs on 06 Oct 2025 for recruitment screening alongwith requisite documents No entry will be permitted beyond 0700h.
3	07 Oct 2025	Physical Fitness Test and Physical Measurement Test	-
4	08 Oct 2025 to 09 Oct 2025	Final documents checking	-
5	Dates will be intimated at rally site	Aptitude test of Musician	To be conducted by IOAB Inspector of Army Band
6	Dates will be intimated at rally site	Med Examination	
7	06 Mar 2026	Issue of Adm/t Cards	Med fit candidates to collect the admit card on 06 Mar 2026 at nominated venue
8	07 Mar 2026	Common Entrance Exam (First Shift - 1000h to 1100h)	AV Tech
9	08 Mar 2026	Common Entrance Exam (First Shift - 1000h to 1100h)	AV GD
10	08 Mar 2026	Common Entrance Exam (Second Shift - 1000h to 1100h)	AV Tdn 10th
11	08 Mar 2026	Common Entrance Exam (Third Shift - 1000h to 1100h)	AV Tdn 8th
12	08 Mar 2026	Adaptability Test	To be conducted immediately after conduct of offline CEE Instrs on modalities of conduct of the same will be issued later by Rtg Dte

3. **Terms and Conditions.** (a) Candidates will be enrolled under Army Act 1950 for a service duration of four (04) years including the training period (b) Agniveers enrolled under the scheme will not be eligible for any kind of Pension or Gratuity
4. Age Criteria, Age criteria for Agniveer General Duty Sportsmen. Technical & Tradesmen is 17% to 21 years (Date of Birth should be between 01 Oct 2004 to 01 Apr 2008)
5. Category/Education Qualification

Sl No	Category	State	Educations Qualifications
1	Agniveer GD	(I) Any State of India incl Uts **(Wards of MEG ONLY)** (ii) All Classes (Southern Zcne) from Andhra Pradesh, Telengana. Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala, Goa and UTS of Pondicherry, Andaman & Nicobar, Lakshadweep. (Wards of other Corps/ Regt/ Centre).	Class 10th /Matric pass with 45% marks in aggregate of five basic subjects and min 33% in each of those five subject For boards following grading system, grades commensurate to percentage, as above, will be considered. **Note:** Candidates with valid Light Motor Vehicle (LMV) Driving License will be given preference for Driver requirement.
2	Agniveer GD (Sportsmen)	**Any State of India (Open Category)**	
3	Agniveer Tdn	(I) Any State of India incl UTS (Wards of MEG ONLY) (ii) All Classes (Southem Zone) from Andhra Pradesh Telengana Tamil Nadu Kamataka. Kerala, Goa and UTs of Pondicherry Andaman & Nicobar. Lakshadweep (Wards of other Corps/Regti Centre)	10 +2/ Intermediate exam pass in Science with Physics, Chentistry Maths and English with min 50% marks in aggregate and 40% in each subject **OR** 10+2 /Intermediate exam pass in Science witth Physics, Chemistry, Maths & English from any recognized State Edn Bd or Central Edn Bd to incl NIOS and ITI course of min one yr in required field with NSQF level 4 or above. **OR** 10th /Matric pass with 50% in aggregate and min 40% in English, Maths and Science with 02 yrs of Technical Training from 111 or two/three yrs Diploma in following streams only **(i)** Mechanic Motor Vehicle, **(ii)** Mechanic Diesel **(iii)** Electronic Mechanic, **(iv)** Technician Power Electronic Systems **(v)** Electrician, **(vi)** Fitter, **(vii)** Instrument Mechanic **(viii)** Draughtsman (All types), **(ix)** Surveyor **(x)** Geo Informatics Assistant **(xi)** Information and Communication Technology System Maintenance, **(xii)** Information Technology **(xiii)** Mechanic Cum Operator Electric Communication System **(xiv)** Vessel Navigator, **(xv)** Mechanical Engineering **(xvi)** Electrical Engineering, **(xvii)** Electronics Engineering **(xviii)**Auto Mobile Engineering, **(xix)** Computer Science/Computer Engineering **(xx)** Instrumentation Technology.
4	Agniveer Tdn 10th Pass Musician	All India Ail Class (AIAC) any State of India incl UTS (OPEN CATEGORY) Desirous candidates talent should be playing musical instruments	Class 10th Simple pass (No stipulation in aggregate percentage but should have scored 33% in five basic subject)
5	Agniveer Tdn 10th Pass (Chef Dresser, Support Staff & Washerman)	Any State of India incl UTS (Wards of MEG ONLY)	
6	Agniveer Tdn 8th Pass (House Kecper)	**Any State of India incl UTS (Wards of MEG ONLY).**	(Class 8th Simple pass No stipulation in aggregate percentage but should have scored 33% in five basic subject)

6. Relationship certificate/discharge book issued by concerned Records Office in original for wards of Serving/Ex-servicemeri For sportsperson, original Sports Certificate with a validity of two years from the date of issue of certificate and commencement of UHQ rect rally
7. Adaptability test is for selection of candidates who can adapt to the environment of the Indian Army and are able to adapt to the challenges of military life Those candidates who will qualify the Adaptability Test will be eligible for further recruitment process. Those candidates who do not qualify the Adaptability Test will not be allowed for further participation in recruitment process
8. With the approval of Competent Authority, the Agniveer candidates can now apply for any two cats based on their eligibility. The candidates seeking two options will have to appear for two CEEs due to differing stds of the question papers and separate merit drawn for each cat. However, only one Rect Rally and Med Test will be planned i e. for the Cat meriting higher PFT/Med stds. Priority of Cats will be sought from the candidates during appl stg itself and final option will be asked post completion of rect rally.
9. All precautions against COVID-19 will be followed by all candidates

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DEFENCE INSTITUTE OF BIODEFENCE TECHNOLOGIES (DIBT)
Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO)
(Ministry of Defence, Govt of India) Siddarthanagar, Mysore-570011

ENGAGEMENT OF RESEARCH FELLOWS HAVING VALID FELLOWSHIP FROM GOVT. AGENCIES (CSIR/UGC/INSPIRE/DBT/DST/ICMR) IN DRDO, DIBT, MYSORE

Defence Institute of Biodefence Technologies (DIBT), Mysore under the aegis of Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO), Ministry of Defence, Govt of India. DIBT, Mysore is having the charter of duties of developing detection technologies for food borne pathogens and toxins of Biodefence importance as well as Military Nutrition. Applications are invited from young and bright research motivated individuals having valid fellowship from Govt. Agencies (CSIR/UGC/INSPIRE/DBT/DST/ICMR) to work in the areas of Food Science & Technology/ Food Processing/ Food Science & Nutrition/ Food Chemistry/ Food Microbiology/ Biotechnology/ Biochemistry /Life Science/ Biological Science/ Polymer Science & Technology/ Toxicology in DIBT, Mysore. The selected candidates may register for PhD at University of Mysore, Mysore or Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

Sl. No.	Discipline	No.of vacancies
1	Biochemistry	02
2	Biotechnology	10
3	Bioinformatics	02
4	Microbiology	10
5	Food Science & Technology / Food Technology / Food Processing Engineering / Food Engineering / Food Science and Nutrition	06
6	Polymer Science & Technology / Polymer Science / Polymer Chemistry	02

Monthly fellowship, contingencies and other monetary benefits shall be guided/ decided as per the fellowship held by the individual and the terms and conditions of the sponsoring organization. DIBT, Mysore shall only provide working infrastructure for the candidate. DIBT, Mysore will NOT provide any financial support during the course of PhD. The intellectual property so generated through research shall remain in the custody of DIBT.

UPPER AGE LIMIT
- 28 years as on the closing date (Age is relaxable by 5 years for SC/ST and 3 Years for OBC as per Govt. Rules).

GUIDELINES
- The tenure of Junior Research Fellowship is initially for two years and will be extended to two years as SRF, subjected to satisfactory performance to be assessed by a committee as per Fellowship Sponsoring Agency.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS
- Candidates who are not meeting the above mentioned qualification need not to apply.
- Candidates working in Govt./Public Sector Undertaking/Autonomous Bodies should possess **'No Objection Certificate'**.
- Candidates need to produce their original documents along with photo copies of the Documents for valid fellowship Proof of Caste, Age, Education Qualification/NET/GATE and NOC (Wherever applicable) along with passport size Photographs, falling which, the application will not be considered. Copies of all documents to be submitted along with application.
- Application form appended in this advertisement may be typed and submitted along with copies of testimonials.
- Antecedents of selected candidates will be verified at the time of joining.
- Admission shall not be claimed by any candidate as a matter of right. The admission shall be entirely at the discretion of the selection committee of the Institute which may refuse to admit any candidate without assigning any reason thereof. The shortlisted candidates will be informed by e-mail/Mobile about the date and time of an interview. The candidate who is willing to attend the interview may send their consent letter along with the filled application.
- Candidate will have to mention the position of subject for which he/she appears/applied.
- It may be noted that engagement does not confer on Fellows any right of absorption in any of the labs of DRDO.
- The last date for receipt of applications is 30 days from the date of publication of advertisement.
- For any query, please contact head.hrd.dfrl@gov.in .

Head, HRD
for Centre Head
DIBT, Mysore

APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF NON DRDO JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOW (JRF)
SUBJECT (SPECIALISATION) ————————

1 Name in block letters
2 Father's / Husband's name
3 Marital Status Single/ Married
4 Nationality
5 Category: SC/ST/OBC/PH/Gen
6 Date of Birth
7 Age Years: Months: Days:
8 Address for correspondence
9 Phone / Mobile No.
10 Email ID
11 Permanent address
12 Education qualification (from SSLC/Metric onwards. Self-attested copies to be enclosed)

Photo

Exam Passed	Subject (s)	University / Board	Year of passing	% Marks	Division / Class

13 Experience

Name of Organisation		Period of services		Reasons for leaving	
		From	To		

14	Whether qualified in NET/ GATE (JRF) Examination (if yes, give details proof to be enclosed)				
15	Have you ever been interviewed in any DRDO Labs, if so, give details				
16	Any other information				

Declaration:

I here by declare that to the best of my knowledge, the above furnished particulars are correct and no information is suppressed.

Place:

Date: Signature of the candidates

List of enclosures:

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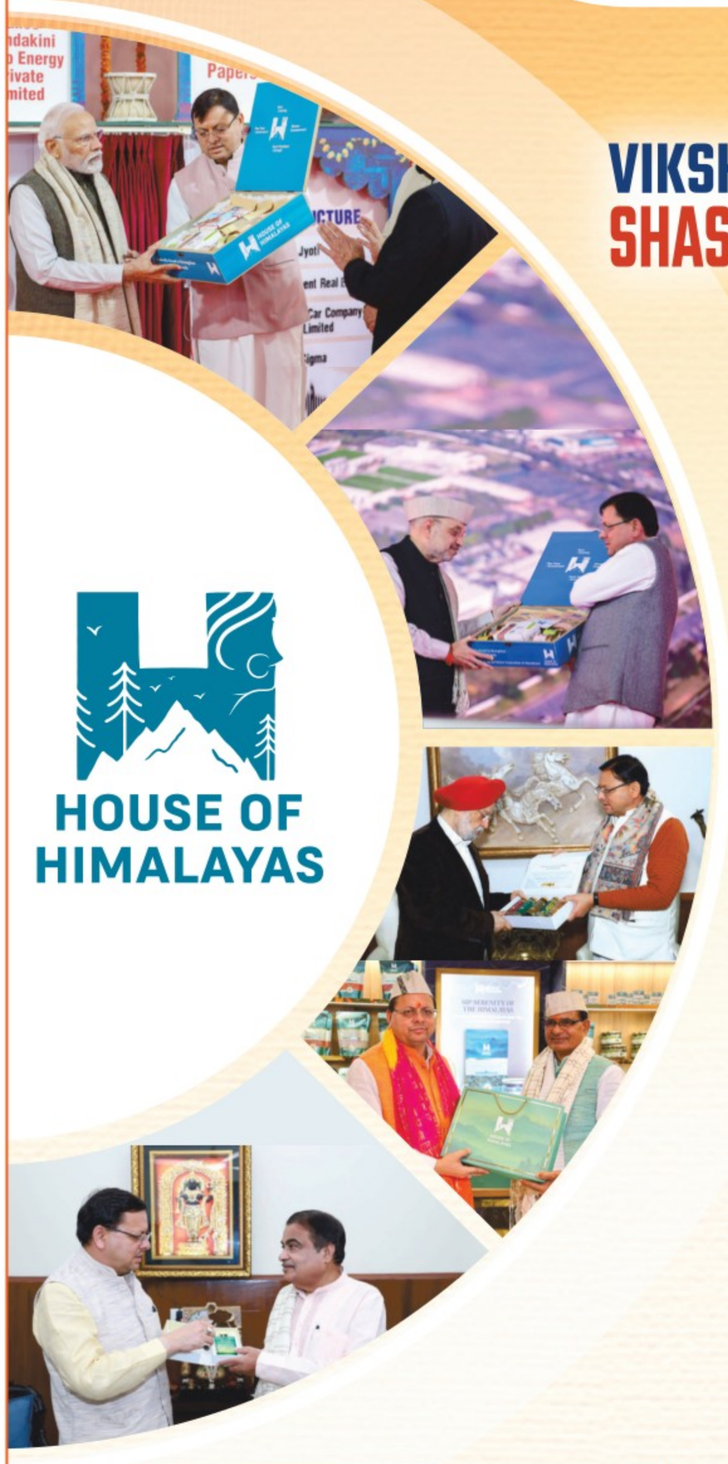

VIKSHIT BHARAT SHASHAKT UTTARAKHAND

Under the bold and visionary leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, we are committed to the idea of inclusive development while harnessing our nation's natural beauty, rich cultural heritage, and immense potential. Our foremost aim to make Uttarakhand a model of progress, where every individual can contribute meaningfully to national prosperity and welfare.

Pushkar Singh Dhami
Chief Minister, Uttarakhand

We must make Swadeshi our pride. Adopting it shouldn't be limited to purchasing goods; it is every citizen's duty to proudly promote it. This will strengthen local industries, increase employment, and contribute to the country's economic progress. Every citizen should purchase Swadeshi goods during festivals. This small step can play a significant role in the country's greater progress, and it is every citizen's responsibility to adopt it.

Narendra Modi
Prime Minister

Organic products of Uttarakhand are now the first choice of the world

HOUSE OF HIMALAYAS

House of Himalayas Provides global market to local produts

Inspired by the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Uttarakhand government under the leadership of Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami is promoting the advanced products of the hilly areas. Along with this, many initiatives have also been started for their marketing. The launch of 'House of Himalayas' is an important step in this direction. Under this, high quality products of Uttarakhand have been prepared according to the markets of the country and the world. These have emerged as a major brand of products from the hilly region of Uttarakhand.

During the Uttarakhand Global Investors Summit 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the 'umbrella brand' named 'House of Himalayas' along with other multimillion projects. Now, products manufactured by local groups will be marketed under the unified name 'House of Himalayas', focusing on quality and packaging. This innovative initiative aims to promote Uttarakhand's local products globally. Known previously as Himadri, Hilans, and Gramya-Shri, these products will now collectively shine under the brand 'House of Himalayas', showcasing the wonders of the region to the world. This step is a significant move to make Uttarakhand's products vocal for local and take them from local markets to the global stage. Inspired by the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Uttarakhand government under the leadership of Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami is promoting the advanced products of the hilly areas. Along with this, many initiatives have also been started for their marketing. The launch of 'House of Himalayas' is an important step in this direction. Under this, high quality products of Uttarakhand have been prepared according to the markets of the country and the world. These have emerged as a major brand of products from the hilly region of Uttarakhand.

Superior Quality: The product line-up at the House of Himalayas are truly exceptional, known for their unmatched quality and superior effectiveness. This exceptional distinction sets them apart from mass-produced alternatives available in the market.

Why is the House of Himalayas so special?

The Assurance of Authenticity: Products created under this initiative truly honour an array of traditional methods and authentic experiences. They reach consumers only after going through high-quality standards. Further, certificates are also issued to confirm their premium quality.

A Commitment Towards The Community: Choosing the House of Himalayas means supporting local communities through truly meaningful social initiatives. With every product you purchase, you contribute socially and economically.

The Idea of Open Sourcing: This initiative emphasizes complete transparency in the sourcing of materials and production processes, maintaining consumer trust.

Emphasizing on Ethical Priority: The brand embraces ethical sourcing and improved production practices that are widely appreciated for their integrity.

Enhanced Brand Experience: By including comprehensive product information, attention to every detail, and delivering superior products, the brand ensures a memorable experience for every customer.

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ONE DISTRICT TWO PRODUCTS
UTTARAKHAND

With the One District-Two Product Scheme, Uttarakhand's products are attracting the world

District	Product-1	Product-2
Almora	Ball Mithai	Tweed
Bageshwar	Copper Products	Kiwi Products
Chamoli	Handloom Products	Rose Water
Haridwar	Jaggery	Honey
Champawat	Iron Based Products	Honey
Dehradun	Bakery Products	Mushroom
Rudraprayag	Temple Imitation	Cholai Products
Nainital	Aipan Craft	Fruit Processing
Pauri	Wooden Craft	Herbal Products
Udhamsingh Nagar	Mentha Oil	Moonj Grass Products
Uttarkashi	Red Rice	Apple Products
Pithoragarh	Woolen Carpets	Munsyari Rajma
Tehri	Paneer	Tehri Nath

Uttarakhand's Crafts & Organic Products from Local to Global

Tourists should spend 5% of their travel spending on local products: Prime Minister

To achieve the goal of self-reliant country Prime Minister Narendra Modi has spoken of Vocal for local. With the aim of promoting local products, One District-One Product Scheme has been started by the Government of India.
Uttarakhand Government has taken this scheme forward as "One District Two Products" under the leadship of Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami.
Programme done in Mana Village near Badrinath Dhaam Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has appealed to the people of the country to spend 5% of their travelled spending on Local Products.
Due to this tremendous step, a big change will be seen in local economy.

Any region is identified by its local language & products. Efforts should be made to promote them.

Traditional Products of Devbhoomi awarded with special GI Tag

BHOTIYA DAAN OF UTTARAKHAND

It is a traditional handwoven carpet made by the Bhotiya community in Uttarakhand. These carpets are known for their warmth, durability, and intricate designs.

UTTARAKHAND THULMA

Thulma blanket are handwoven by the Bhotiya community in Uttarakhand using sheep or yak wool. These blankets are known for their warmth & durability.

UTTARAKHAND LIKHAI (WOOD CARVING)

Uttarakhand is famous for its exquisite wood carvings seen in architectural elements, furniture, and decorative items. Skilled artisans intricately carve wood to create beautiful designs and motifs.

NAINITAL MOOMBATTI (CANDLE)

Uttarakhand is known for its artistic candles crafted in various shapes, sizes, and colors. These candles often reflect the region's cultural motifs and symbols.

RANGWALI PICHORA OF KUMAON

Rangwali Pichora is a traditional craft involving the creation of colorful hand printed/handwoven cotton/ silk/woollen shawls. The designs and patterns showcase the rich cultural heritage of the Kumaon region.

UTTARAKHAND AIPAN

Aipan is a traditional folkart form involving the creation of intricate geometric patterns using rice paste or chalk. It's usually seen on floors, walls, or courtyards during religious and cultural ceremonies.

Geographical Indication (GI) Crafts Products

A Geographical Indication (GI) is a sign used on products that have a specific geographical origin and possess qualities or a reputation that are due to that origin. In other words, it is a certification that identifies a product as originating from a particular region, where a given quality, reputation or other characteristic of the product is essentially attributable to its geographic origin.

The following craft products of Uttarakhand have been awarded GI tag by the Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trademarks, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Government of India:

UTTARAKHAND BITHCU BUTI

Nettle fibre is used to create a range of products, including fabrics, bags, and ropes. The nettle plant is abundant in the region, and its fibre is valued for its strength and eco-friendliness.

UTTARAKHAND RINGAAL CRAFT

Ringaal products are crafted from a type of local grass called 'Ringaal.' Artisans use it to create items like mats, baskets, and ropes due to its strength and flexibility.

CHAMOLI WOODEN RAMAAN MASK

Ramaan masks are carved from wood and used in traditional folk dances and cultural performances. These masks often represent deities, animals, or mythological figures.

UTTARAKHAND TAMTA PRODUCTS

Artisans in Uttarakhand craft various items like utensils, decorative pieces, and religious artifacts using copper. These items are known for their intricate designs and durability.

Cauvery Aarti

Worshipping the river: Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar at the Cauvery Aarti programme at Krishnaraja Sagar, near Mysuru, on Friday. The event is modelled on the lines of Ganga Aarti. The State government is also organising a sports festival for tourists at KRS.
SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Singer Nagara Srinivasa Udupa to be honoured today

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Gandhara, an organisation dedicated to promoting music, will host a special music and felicitation programme on Saturday, to celebrate 75 years of Sugama Sangeeta singer Nagara Srinivasa Udupa.

The event will feature musical performances by Mr. Udupa, Archana Udupa, Remo, Uday Ankola, Srinivasa Murthy, Praveen, and Pradeep.

The programme will be held at Town Hall, J.C. Road, starting at 6.30 p.m.

न्यायालय अपर जिला दण्डाधिकारी, सारण, छपरा

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POST OF DRDO RESEARCH ASSOCIATE (RA) & JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS (JRF)

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Sl. No	DRDO Fellowship	Name of the Post	No. of Vacancies	Essential Quailfication
1	Food Science & Technology/ Food Processing Engineering/ Food Engineering & Technology/ Food Engineering	Research Associate	01	PhD in Food Science & Technology/ Food Processing Engineering/ Food Engineering & Technology/ Food Engineering **OR** M.Tech in Food Processing Engineering/ Food Engineering & Technology/ Food Engineering/ Food Science & Technology with 3 years of Research experience with atleast one research paper in Science Citation Indexed (SCI) Journal.
2	Microbiology/ Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/ Bioinformatics/ Medical Genetics	JRF	07	Post Graduate degree in first Division from recognized University/ Institute with valid NET/GATE score. **OR** Post Graduate degree in professional course (M.Tech) in first Division
3	Polymer Science & Technology/ Polymer Science/ Polymer Chemistry/ Chemistry	JRF	02	Graduate degree in professional course (B.E / B.Tech) in first Division with valid NET/GATE score. **OR** Post Graduate degree in professional course (M.Tech) in first Division **OR** Post Graduate degree in MSc first Division from recognized University/ Institute with valid NET/GATE score.
4	Food Science & Technology/ Food Technology/ Food Science/ Food Process Engineering/ Food Science & Nutrition	JRF	01	Post Graduate degree in first Division from recognized University/ Institute with valid NET/GATE score. **OR** Post Graduate degree in professional course (M.Tech) in first Division

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE (RA)

- Monthly stipend is Rs. 67,000/- + HRA per month.
- The tenure of the Research Associate will be for a period of two years.
- Age not exceeding 35 years for RA as on the date of interview. Age relaxation is allowed up to 5 years for SC/ST and 3 Years for OBC candidates.

JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOW (JRF)

- Monthly stipend is Rs.37,000/- + HRA per month.
- The tenure of the fellowship will be initially for a period of two years and based on performance, it may be extended for 3rd year and 4th Year if required
- Age not exceeding 28 years for JRF as on the date of interview. Age relaxation is allowed up to 5 years for SC/ST and 3 Years for OBC candidates.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- The award of RA/JRF will be as per DRDO rules. The offer of fellowship does not confer on fellows any right for absorption in DRDO. Admission shall not be claimed by any candidates as a matter of right.
- Only Candidates possessing the above mentioned qualification(s) from recognized University / Institute may apply.
- Application form with supporting documents to be submitted to the Centre Head, DIBT, Siddarthanagar, Mysore-570011.
- Candidates must present original certificates and testimonials at the time of the interview. Additionally, candidates should bring a photocopy set of all documents along with application form and a valid government-issued ID card (such as Aadhar, Passport, or Driving License) during the interview.
- Candidates presently employed in Government Department/ PSU's/Autonomous Bodies should send their application through proper channel and are required to produce NOC from their employer at the time of interview.
- A written test consisting of objective type, multiple choice questions will be conducted to shortlist the candidates for interview, if necessary.
- Based on the performance of candidates in the interview, a panel of selected candidates will be prepared for the available vacancies and future anticipated vacancies. The panel would operate for a period of one year from the date of interview. Decision of Centre Head, DIBT, Mysore will be the final in case of any discrepancy.
- The last date for receipt of application is 30 days from the date of publication of advertisement.
- No TA/DA will be paid to candidates for attending interview or for joining, if selected.

Head, HRD
for Centre Head
DIBT, Mysore

APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF RESEARCH ASSOCIATE (RA) / JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOW (JRF)
POST APPLIED FOR ——————————
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1 Name in block letters
2 Father's / Husband's name
3 Marital Status Single/ Married
4 Nationality
5 Category: SC/ST/OBC/PH/Gen
6 Date of Birth
7 Age Years: Months: Days:
8 Address for correspondence
9 Phone / Mobile No.
10 Email ID
11 Permanent address
12 Education qualification (from SSLC/Metric onwards. Self-attested copies to be enclosed)

Photo

Exam Passed	Subject (s)	University / Board	Year of passing	% Marks	Division / Class

13 Experience

Name of Organisation	Period of services		Reasons for leaving	
	From	To		

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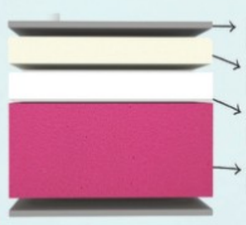

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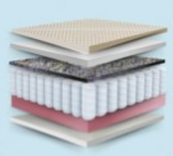

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State records highest maternal mortality in 2023; experts call for urgent action

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

With Karnataka recording the highest maternal mortality ratio (MMR) among southern States during 2021-2023, public health experts and policymakers have called for urgent measures to address the gap.

According to the Sample Registration System (SRS) 2023, released this month, Karnataka's MMR has shot up to 68 deaths per one lakh live births in 2021-23 from 58 in 2020-22, while Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Tamil Nadu report figures largely in 30s. Telangana's MMR is 59.

The issue was the focus of a day-long conference on "Reducing Maternal Mortality in Karnataka," organised by the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), Karnataka Regional Branch, in partnership with R.V. University's Centre for Global Health and Development, in Bengaluru on Thursday.

Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao, in his keynote address, said the State Cabinet had approved a mission to guarantee round-the-clock maternal health services at taluk hospitals and major community health centres. "In this year's Budget, our Chief Minister has announced a ₹320-crore mission to bring preventable maternal deaths to zero. Our immediate target is to bring MMR down from 68 to 40 within two-and-a-half years, and eventually to 20 to meet global benchmarks," he said.

Medical Education and Skill Development Minister Sharan Prakash R. Patil stressed the need to integrate maternal health priorities into medical training and workforce planning.

Calling preventable maternal deaths a "silent crisis," Ranjini C. Raghavendra, Director of the Centre for Global Health and Development, R.V. University, observed that Karnataka's achievements were inadequate compared to neighbouring States. "For a State of our intellect and resources, failing to keep pace with our neighbours is a harsh truth. The ₹320-crore mission must be more than an allocation – it must be a guarantee," she said.

B. L. Sujatha Rathod, Director of Medical Education, underlined the need for continuous upgrading of skills to handle high-risk pregnancies.

The conference concluded with a call for a State-level maternal mortality acceleration plan, combining immediate life-saving interventions with long-term investments in infrastructure, workforce and community engagement.

Centre can allow Russian woman, two children to travel to her country: High Court

The court passed the order while disposing of a petition filed in July by the father of the children

FROM THE COURT

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka on Friday permitted the Union government to issue travel documents to Russian woman Nina Kutina and her two minor daughters, who were found living in a cave deep inside the forest at Gokarna in Uttara Kannada district in July, to enable them to travel to Russia.

Justice B.M. Shyam Prasad passed the order after Additional Solicitor-General of India (ASG) K. Arvind Kamath told the court that DNA report of second daughter Ama, 5, who is born in India, was communicated to the Russian government, which, in turn, issued Russian citizenship to her besides issuing emergency travel documents (ETD) to enable them to travel to Russia.

The court passed the order while disposing of a petition filed in July by Dror Shlomo Goldstein, father of the children and former husband of Ms. Kutina. The petitioner, an Israeli national, had sought a direction to the Centre not to immediately deport the minor children.

The Central government in July had told the court that mother and two daughters cannot be sent back to Russia immediately as second daughter had no proper records evidencing her birth. Nor did she have any travel documents.

However, on Friday, the Union government said that since Russia had issued short period ETD, valid till October 9 to the second daughter, the Centre would have to send her to Russia at the earliest.

Interest of children

Meanwhile, advocate for the petitioner said interest of children would have to be considered by the court as petitioner, who is the father of the second daughter, for a long time had taken care of all three before he left India.

To this, the ASG said that that the Centre could deport any person who had overstayed, but in the present case it was not treating it as a deportation as the mother was being sent back to her country of origin with the interest of her children based on the travel documents issued by the Russian government.

Noting that the petitioner, who could not explain the circumstance under which the mother and the two children were in an isolated cave, and the authorities had stepped in for rehabilitation of the mother and children after they were found living in the cave, the court said it would be just and reasonable to consider the best interest of children in the background of the case apart from other circumstances that were peculiar to the individual parties.

Mother and Child Health triad services to strengthen maternal healthcare

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

In a bid to bring down maternal mortality and ensure equitable access to emergency obstetric care in rural areas, the State Health Department is set to rationalise deployment of specialists under the Mother and Child Health (MCH) triad – gynaecologists, anaesthetists and paediatricians – across taluk hospitals and community health centres (CHCs).

Addressing presspersons here on Friday, Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao said the move would ensure that all taluk hospitals function as Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (CEmONC) facilities, capable of handling complicated deliveries, Caesarean sections and newborn emergencies round the clock.

"We are introducing a rotating 'double triad' system to make specialists available 24/7. This will prevent unnecessary referrals to tertiary hospitals, where delays often prove fatal," he said, pointing out that the State Cabinet had approved the proposal on Thursday.

A file photo of the taluk government hospital in Puttur. Of the 148 taluk hospitals in Karnataka, nearly two-thirds are dependent on a single gynaecologist, anaesthetist or paediatrician.

Although posts exist, currently most taluk hospitals and CHCs have only one sanctioned position each for the triad specialists. Of the 148 taluk hospitals, nearly two-thirds are dependent on a single gynaecologist, anaesthetist or paediatrician, while vacancies further compound the crisis, he said.

Performance review

A performance review of CHCs revealed wide disparities. Of the 274 CHCs, only 41 handle over 30 deliveries per month, while 230 centres manage fewer than 30. Specialists posted in these "non-performing" CHCs will be redeployed to high-load taluk hospitals and select CHCs identified for conversion into CEmONC facilities. At least 189 such facilities – 148 taluk hospitals and 41 CHCs – will be equipped with two specialists from each stream, the Minister said.

Geographic factors

Geographic factors are also being taken into account. "For instance, the CHC at MM Hills in Chamarajanagar, though low-performing, will retain the MCH triad since the nearest referral hospital is over an hour away," Mr. Gundu Rao said.

Pointing out that non-performing CHCs will be downgraded to Basic Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (BEmONC) facilities, the Minister said, "They will continue to have paediatricians, along with additional medical officers and dentists, ensuring delivery of both maternal and general health services. To offset the redeployment, each will be staffed with two extra MBBS doctors, mobilised from the National Health Mission pool."

The rationalisation plan also proposes reallocation of nursing staff. Of the 883 designated 24x7 Primary Health Centres, more than 600 conduct fewer than six deliveries a month. Nurses from such low-utilisation centres will be shifted to CEmONC facilities – three each.

Diagnostic gaps

To address diagnostic gaps, the government has also decided to create 114 new radiologist posts, redesignating surplus triad specialists after rationalisation.

Currently, there are only 75 sanctioned radiologists in the 189 facilities.

With rising numbers of high-risk pregnancies linked to diabetes, hypertension, malnutrition and repeat Caesareans, the department believes this restructuring is critical.

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All that part and parcel of the Apartment bearing No. 103, located on first floor & second floor(Duplex), BBMP New Katha No. 476/310/316/120/321/2/FF & SF 103 in the building known as " Sharada Residency", measuring 1950 sq. feet of Super built up area and 600 sq. feet undivided share right, title and interest with car parking slot bearing no. 103 in the stilt/basement, constructed on the site no.120, formed in Sy No. 1, BBMP Katha no. 314/316/120/321, situated at Bikasipura village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, BBMP ward no. 184, totally measuring 2400 sq. feet, Owned by M/s Syban India represented by partners Mr. Vinod Kumar C and Mr. Suresh Kumar, Bounded on: Boundaries of the property, On the North by: Private property, On the South by: Site No.119, On the East by: Site No.114, On the West by: Road. Boundaries of Flat : On the North by: Entrance, On the South by: Open space, On the East by: Open space, On the West by: Staircase thereafter Flat No. 104.

Date : 23.09.2025
Place : Bengaluru

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2	Mode of Bid Submission	e-tendering (http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in)
3	Tender Fee to be submitted online	Tender document fee: Rs 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Five Thousand) only Non-Refundable *(to be submitted online).*
4	Date/Time of Publication of Tender on Website	27.09.2025; 14:00 Hrs
5	Last Date/Time of Bid Submission	21.10.2025; 17:00 Hrs
6	Date/Time of opening of Bid	24.10.2025; 17:00 Hrs
7	Bid Submission Address	Jharkhand Urban Infrastructure Development Company Ltd., JUIDCO Bhawan, Kutchery Chowk, Ranchi, Jharkhand- 834001
8	Helpline Number of e-procurement Cell	0651-2225878

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My client is intending to purchase the Schedule Properties from **(1) Sri.Ashwath,** S/o.Late.Veerabhadrachar, Residing at No.508, 8th Cross, 7th Main, J.P.Nagar, 3rd Phase, Indira Priya Darshini School, Bengaluru- 560 078, **(2) Smt. Gayathri Rudrachar,** Wife of Late.Sri.Rudrachar, Aged about 67 years, **(3) Sri. Rudrachar Murali,** Aged about 49 years, son of Late.Sri.Rudrachar **(4) Sri. Dhanush Murali,** Son of Sri.Rudrachar Murali, Aged about 20 years, **Sl.Nos.2, 3** and **4** Residing at No.1243/12, 2nd Cross, B.S.K. 2nd Stage, Ashoknagar, Bangalore South, Bengaluru- 560 050, **(5) Smt.Thanuja.B.R.,** Wife of Sri.Mukund.C.N., Aged about 48 years, Residing at No.115, 2nd Cross, Vivekananda Nagara, Channarayapatna, Hassan- 573116, **(6) Smt. Anitha B.Rudrachar,** Wife of Sri.Mahesh B.Venu Gopala Achar, Aged about 46 years, Residing at No.2, 1st Cross, 24th Main, Marenahalli, J.P.Nagar, 2nd Phase, Bangalore South, Bengaluru- 560 076, Parties at **Sl.Nos.3, 5** and **6** are children of Late.Sri.Rudrachar,

I am investigating the title of the Schedule Properties.

Any person/s having any manner of claims/objections for the proposed purchase may lodge their claim/s, objection/s, with the undersigned, with documentary evidence within **Fifteen (15) days** from the date of this publication. Any claims/ objections received thereafter will not be binding on my client and my client will proceed to purchase the Schedule Properties as if there are no claims/ objections.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of Land bearing Sy.No.104/1, measuring to an extent of 3.00 Acres 14 Guntas, situated at Vaderahalli Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, and bounded on: **East by:** Land belonging to Vaderahalli Thimmappa; **West by :** Land bearing Sy.No.41 (Gomal Land); **North by:** Land belonging to Cheluvaiah son of Chennappa; **South by:** Land belonging to Kariyappa and Gomal.

Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of Land bearing Sy.No.41, measuring to an extent of 0 Acre 15 Guntas, situated at Vaderahalli Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, and bounded on: **East by:** Land bearing Sy.No.41(Gomal Land); **West by:** Remaining portion in Sy.No.41 belonging to Kariyappa; **North by:** Land bearing Sy.No.104/1 belonging to Cheluvaiah Uruf Motaiah; **South by:** Land bearing Sy.No.104/1 belonging to Cheluvaiah Uruf Motaiah.

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Sl.No.	Sy.No.	Extent		Boundaries				Owners
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1.	66/1	1	20	Sy. No.66/3	Remaining portion of Sy. No 66/1 measuring 10½ Guntas (out of 1 Acre 30½ Guntas)	Sy. No.67/2	Sy. No.66/2	B.M.Shakuntala W/o. H.Govindaraju
2.	66/2	2	11	Road	Road	Sy. Nos. 66/1& 66/3	Sy. Nos. 65/1 & 65/3	Kariyanna S/o. Ranganna & B.M.Shakuntala W/o. H.Govindaraju
3.	66/3	0	14½	Road	Sy. No. 66/1	Sy. No 67/2	Sy. No 66/2	B.M.Shakuntala W/o. H.Govindaraju

The aforesaid Owners have represented that the Schedule Properties are not the subject matter of any subsisting and valid mortgages, lien or charges in favour of anyone else and that there are no subsisting and valid agreements for sale or the like executed by the Owners or any pending litigation in respect of the Schedule Properties.

If any person has any right to, interest in or claim against the Schedule Properties including but not limited to any encumbrance thereon by way of a charge, mortgage or lien or being a party to any Agreement for Sale or the like in respect of the Schedule Properties or any part thereof, may, within **30(thirty) days** hereof submit to us such claim together with documentary proof in support thereof, failing which, it shall be presumed that there are no encumbrances, charges or lien or any valid and subsisting Agreements for Sale or the like in respect of the Schedule Properties.

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DATE: 27th September 2025

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KALABURAGI ZONE, KALABURAGI

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No. KWB/CE(K)/TEC/WSS/15th Finance/2025-26/ Date :25.09.2025

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1). Detail of Work : "Construction of 5.00 LL RCC Shaft Type OHT on 15 mtr staging at Askihal village of Raichur city under Restricted grants of 15th Finance for the year 2023-24 of Raichur city (Lumpsum-No Variation)." (Work Indent No : KUWSDB/2025-26 /WS / WORK_INDENT411), 2). Amount of Estimate : Rs. 109.53 Lakhs (Excluding GST), 3). Eligibility of Contractor : Eligible Contractors. 4). Details of Tender application amount and EMD amount : Rs.2,00,000/-, 5) Period of Completion : 12 Months, 6). Date and Time for commencement of downloading of tender documents from the e-procurement portal : 26-09-2025 after 13:00 hours, 7). Date & Time of Pre-Bid Meeting : 03-10-2025 at 11:30 hours, 8). Last Date and Time for receipt of Tenders : 10-10-2025 upto 17:30 hours, 9). Date and Time for Opening of Tender : 13-10-2025 after 11:00 hours, 10) Addl. information : Office of the Chief Engineer KUWS & D Board, Kalaburagi Zone, "Jalbhavan", Rajapur, Kusnoor Road, Telephone : 08472-220817 E-mail ID : kwbceklb14@gmail.com, 11). Address of E-portal : www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in

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This festive season is an ideal time to invest in a house or land as it is a period of wealth and fresh starts. As individuals seek to infuse their lives with prosperity and positive energy, the custom of marking auspicious occasions with significant purchases fits in perfectly this time of the year. This is an opportune time for anyone thinking about investing in real estate, with banks and real estate developers offering exciting packages and discounts that add even more sparkle to the festivities.

Alluring Offers from Banks and Builders

Both large and small banks are taking action to increase the accessibility and attractiveness of home loans. To meet the demands of aspiring homeowners, special interest rate reductions and flexible payment plans are being implemented. Some banks are also offering extras to women buyers, such as discounted rates. Buyers can select a financing plan that fits their objectives and budget by choosing from a range of options.

Real estate developers are also contributing to the festive spirit by announcing promotions that make purchasing a property not only possible but also beneficial. New plot launches are on the horizon, offering prime locations that cater to various buyer preferences. In addition to these launches, significant discounts are available on existing plots, providing an opportunity for buyers to secure land at attractive rates. To further sweeten the deal, developers are offering enticing freebies, such as gold coins, interior furnishing packages, and waived registration fees. These promotions aim to make land ownership more accessible and appealing, encouraging buyers to take advantage of the auspicious season to invest in their future.

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Many developers are implementing flexible payment plans to meet the needs of various customers since they recognise the financial factors involved in real estate acquisitions.

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These programs provide a sense of financial relief, enabling people to start the homeownership journey without the immediate stress of large financial commitments.

The Rise of Luxury Affordable Homes

The launch of luxurious yet affordable homes is a noteworthy trend this time of year. Renowned builders are undertaking these projects, which are ideally situated to meet the rising demand for premium living areas at affordable costs. These homes combine comfort and elegance without going over budget with features like clubhouses, fitness centres, landscaped gardens, and smart home technologies.

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The combination of favourable timing, alluring financing options, and exclusive promotions makes the festive season a real gold mine for purchasers. It's a moment when, with a little planning and wise decisions, house ownership plans can come true. There is a tangible sense of excitement in the air as banks and developers offer incentives that are too good to refuse.

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Upgrading shipyards

Incentives for shipbuilding must include long term offtake possibilities

The recently announced package of ₹69,725 crore, to revitalise India's shipbuilding and maritime ecosystem, is to replace the package of 2015, which is set to expire in March 2026. In the last 10 years, while lucrative defence orders had kept some shipyards busy, only half-a-dozen small merchant ships or so were built in all of India. India's capacity to build large merchant ships remains minuscule, which the package hopes to expand to 4.5 million gross tonnage. The plan is to upgrade shipyards for cutting-edge technology and management principles, promote new yards in clusters housing factories for shipbuilding ancillaries, and support shipowners for financing newbuilds. But key questions remain over how this package will succeed as the earlier one was largely a failure.

Globally, shipbuilding has been honed into a fine art. In Korean, Japanese or even Chinese yards, component blocks of large merchant ships are prefabricated outside the actual dry dock and moved to the dry dock, using cranes of say 1,000 tonnes, where they are welded together. The yards are long enough to be assembly lines. In the past, the metric was keel-laying-to-waterborne. Today that takes just three to four months. It takes just about a year from the process of first steel to sea trials for a large merchant ship. Barring an exception or two, Indian yards are neither long enough nor have the crane capacity and space and capability to do the prefabs. Ancillaries are another bottleneck. A turnaround of about two to three years is the norm in India – or two more years of capital sunk without returns. This is a key reason for Indian shipowners not ordering new shipbuilds even if the subsidies in previous policy addressed the issue of high capex. Shipyard upgrading should address this issue. China, for instance, has thought through shipbuilding in full and set up institutions to train manpower. At this point, India will need to start small, such as ships of 500 gross tonnage and above. The bottleneck is that while terming ship newbuilds as infrastructure has brought down the cost of finance through lower interest rates and extended repayment schedules, this applies only to large vessels. Incentives to promote shipbuilding will need to include long-term offtake possibilities. Indian shipowners do not see long-term demand visibility for them to invest in newbuilds in Indian yards with cost overruns from delays. For instance, India's green fuel production policy has seen projects to make and export green fuels through Kakinada and Kochi but without leveraging them to build green ships and do the offtake as well. Long-term shipping contracts and time charters, for imported coal from State-owned power utilities and imported crude from oil companies, will spur shipbuilding.

Bloody Sundays

Cricket is getting overshadowed by India-Pakistan political rivalry

Three successive Sundays featuring matches involving India and Pakistan are a broadcaster's windfall dream. This rare cricketing high will be played out when the subcontinental rivals clash in the Asia Cup final at Dubai this Sunday. Interestingly, since its inception from 1984, the continental tournament never featured an India-Pakistan summit clash. However, the latest prelude remains dull as the contests over the last two weekends lacked sporting thrills even if the political tension almost bordered on the 'war minus the shooting' trope. Suryakumar Yadav's men overwhelmingly dominated the jousts, yet dimmed their glory as they remained churlish and refused the customary handshake with the opposition, a tradition innate to the willow game and other sports. The Pahalgam terror strike and the resultant Operation Sindoor are part of the backdrop, but if India felt strongly about playing against its western neighbour, then the protest could have been registered by refusing to turn up for these particular games. But walking into the park, playing the match and still refusing to respect the game's behavioural protocols do not reflect well on the Indian unit. That there is no escaping the nationalism bandwagon and the ensuing domestic pressures was evident in the manner in which some of the Pakistani players gesticulated.

Pakistani stars Sahibzada Farhan and Haris Rauf are in the dock with the former using his bat like a gun and the latter hinting at fighter planes being shot down. Meanwhile, Suryakumar's reference to Pahalgam also came under the scanner. In all this high-strung theatre of anger, India still proved its superior mettle against all rivals, a skill-advantage that was reiterated twice against Pakistan. Opener Abhishek Sharma has been at his riveting best, and his scalding form has forced the opposition bowlers to constantly alter their tactics. His Punjab mate Shubman Gill has also flourished against the men from across the Wagah border. Among the bowlers, even if spearhead Jasprit Bumrah draws attention, spinner Kuldeep Yadav has been in his elements on the dry, abrasive surfaces under West Asian skies. The dip in quality of Indo-Pak tussles is a contrast to the 1980s and 1990s when the games were contested on an even keel. For Indian fans of a certain vintage, Javed Miandad's last-ball six off Chetan Sharma remains a bruise that never heals. The current Asia Cup has revealed how far India has progressed while Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka have stagnated. This Sunday, defending champion India will step in as the favourite unless Shaheen Afridi and his fellow pacers spring an ambush.

The turmoil in Kathmandu, the road ahead for Nepal

Rakesh Sood

is a former diplomat who served as Ambassador to Nepal and is currently Distinguished Fellow at the Council for Strategic and Defense Research (CSDR)

The Gen Z protests that erupted in Kathmandu on September 8, 2025, snowballed rapidly, taking the Nepal government by surprise. The excessive police reaction led to an explosion of public anger, and the rapidly evolving situation forced Prime Minister K.P. Sharma Oli to quit the following day, creating a vacuum that even the Gen Z protesters were unprepared for.

Following talks between the Gen Z representatives and Chief of Army Staff General A.R. Sigdel, former Chief Justice Sushila Karki was sworn in as interim Prime Minister on September 12, with the mandate to conduct fresh elections within six months. The parliament was dissolved, an apolitical cabinet of experts is taking shape, and calm has returned to the streets.

Elections have been fixed for March 5, 2026 but questions persist. How will Gen Z organise itself around a political platform? Will the established political parties be ready? Meanwhile, suggestions are afoot for amending the constitution but this may open a Pandora's box in the absence of process legitimacy.

A turbulent phase in India's neighbourhood

The decade of the 2020s has witnessed political changes in India's neighbourhood – in February 2021, the experiment with democracy in Myanmar collapsed as the military assumed full control; later in 2021, the Taliban returned to Kabul as the U.S. withdrew from Afghanistan; in mid-2022, the Aragalaya movement in Sri Lanka forced President Gotabaya Rajapaksa to flee the country; in Pakistan in May 2023, the arrest of former Prime Minister Imran Khan led to widespread protests but the military took charge of the situation; and, in August 2024, protests in Bangladesh gathered momentum forcing Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to quit and leave Dhaka. It is hardly surprising that analysts would look for patterns that can fit their models or conspiracy theories.

However, each of these changes has its own history. Sheikh Hasina had been in power since 2009 and the elections in January 2024 had been disputed even as she cracked down on the opposition. In Sri Lanka, the Rajapaksa family had been ruling since 2004 with a short interregnum.

Myanmar and Pakistan have had long spells of military rule; the military has remained in the driver's seat – openly as in Myanmar or behind the scenes, as in Pakistan. Afghanistan followed the familiar pattern of failed interventions by the United States – since Vietnam in the 1960s, and in 2021, when it had become apparent that continued U.S. presence in Afghanistan would not help matters.

If there are similarities, these are primarily the dominant role played by the youth in the protests and the higher levels of youth unemployment compared to the total unemployment in these societies. While overall unemployment levels in Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka are between 4%-5%, youth unemployment is above 16% and in Nepal, above 20%.

> The goal should be to ensure fair elections so that the political gains of the last two decades towards a more democratic and inclusive Nepal are not squandered

Politically, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh have had political stability given the long tenures of the Rajapaksa brothers and Sheikh Hasina, respectively, but this led to nepotism, corruption and increasing disdain for democratic accountability.

Nepal's political transition

In contrast, Nepal's political trajectory has been different with frequent government changes. Since 2015, when the constitution was adopted, there were seven governments but with the same leaders playing musical chairs, UML leader Oli thrice and both Maoist leader Prachanda and NC leader Sher Bahadur Deuba, each twice. It created a curious internal stability where cronyism, nepotism and corruption flourished, within the outward instability that prevented job growth and economic development.

Nepal's political transition began 35 years ago. The 1990 Jan Aandolan replaced Panchayati Raj with multi-party democracy and circumscribed the monarchy to a constitutional role. However, intra-party rivalries provided a fertile ground for the monarchy to play favourites. A Maoist insurgency surfaced in 1996 and over a decade, gradually engulfed large parts of the country claiming 17,000 lives.

It took 17 years before the political parties came together to work out a peace process that permitted the Maoists to come overground and emerge as a political party. During this period, there were 15 changes of government and one spell of direct rule by King Gyanendra that sparked the second Jan Aandolan in 2006, forcing him to restore parliament and the elected government.

In 2008, an elected Constituent Assembly declared Nepal to be a republic ending the 240-year-old monarchy and began drafting a constitution for a federal republic. Instead of the given two-year deadline, the constitution was promulgated after seven years in 2015. More time was spent on government formations and these seven years witnessed six Prime Ministers. Maoist leaders served twice, UML leaders twice, the NC once and an interim government was created under Chief Justice Khil Raj Regmi for electing a second Constituent Assembly in 2013.

The Jan Aandolans, in 1990 and 2006, were spearheaded by political parties to wrest political power from the monarchy. But the 2025 protests reflect a broader frustration with political leaders of all political parties, for misusing coalition politics to amass personal wealth.

President Ramchandra Paudel has reiterated that he will observe the constitution and has sought to justify concerns about the appointment of an Interim Prime Minister by citing Article 61. Article 61 merely directs the President to "promote the national unity" and "to abide by and protect the Constitution". Since a state of national emergency was not declared, Gen. Sigdel played a political role in identifying and holding consultations with the Gen Z representatives. The army also moved targeted leaders and Ministers into military cantonments for their security. Clearly, Mr. Paudel depended on the army because it is the only institution that enjoys social respect.

Ms. Karki has identified three priorities for the Interim Government – to ensure elections on March 5; to fix accountability for the use of excessive force by the police and the arson and vandalism; and to expose and prosecute corruption in high political office. The second and third will be difficult as there are reports of politically affiliated gangs infiltrating the Gen Z protests, and fast track prosecutions in Nepal's justice system are unheard of.

There is a growing sentiment that the 2015 constitution that introduced a 275 member House of Representatives with First Past The Post (165 seats) and Proportional Representation (110 seats) somehow prevents the emergence of a majority government. Other ideas doing the rounds are to introduce a directly elected executive and do away with federalism by empowering local bodies. Pushing such ideas through a constitutional commission and national referendums could create more difficulties. Any dilution of federalism or Proportional Representation system is bound to spark protests among the Madhesis, Janjati and Tharu communities.

Such moves into uncharted political territory and questionable legitimacy run contrary to Mr. Paudel's assurance of abiding by the constitution and may jeopardise the election schedule. Established political parties need time for an internal leadership churn that the old timers will resist. New political forces led by youth leaders will emerge and it is likely that some pro-monarchy elements may also sense an opportunity to recover lost ground.

Focus should be on fair elections

Fortunately, India has escaped criticism in Nepal's media in connection with the political turmoil. The restrained official statements and the phone call by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on September 18, to congratulate Ms. Karki, convey condolences over the loss of life, and assure full support to Nepal, keeps communication channels open.

Peaceful, free and fair elections on March 5 would be the best way forward for Nepal. Any other ambitious moves by vested interests would only increase uncertainties, generating mistrust and insecurity in which the political gains of the last two decades towards a more democratic and inclusive Nepal would be at risk.

Shaping the next chapter of the Indian story

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Praise has been showered on Prime Minister Narendra Modi's charismatic presence and organisational leadership. Less understood and known is the professionalism which characterises his work – a relentless work ethic that has evolved over decades when he was the Chief Minister of Gujarat and later Prime Minister of India.

What sets him apart is not a talent for spectacle but a discipline that turns vision into durable systems. It is action anchored in duty, measured by difference on the ground.

A charter for shared work

That ethic framed the Prime Minister's Independence Day address from the Red Fort, this year. It was a charter for shared work: citizens, scientists, start-ups and States were invited to co-author Viksit Bharat. Ambitions in deep technology, clean growth and resilient supply chains were set out as practical programmes, with Jan Bhagidari, the partnership between a platform-building state and an enterprising people, as the method.

The recent simplification of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) structure reflects this method. By paring down slabs and ironing out friction points, the GST Council has lowered compliance costs for small firms and quickened pass-through to households. The Prime Minister's focus was not on abstract revenue curves but on whether the average citizen or small trader would feel the change quickly. This instinct echoes the cooperative federalism that has guided the GST Council: States and the Centre debating rigorously, but all working within a system that adapts to conditions rather than remaining frozen. Policy is treated as a living instrument, tuned to the economy's rhythm rather than a monument preserved for symmetry on paper.

I recently requested a 15- minute slot to meet the Prime Minister and was struck by the depth and range that he brought to the discussion – micro details and macro linkages that were held together in a single frame. It turned into a 45 minute meeting. Colleagues told me later that he had spent more than two hours preparing, reading through notes, data and counter-arguments. That level of homework is the working norm he sets for himself and expects of the system.

> The Prime Minister's professionalism and work ethic are what make the difference on the ground

A focus on the citizen

Much of India's recent progress rests on plumbing and systems which are designed to ensure dignity to our citizens. The triad of digital identity, universal bank accounts and real-time payments has turned inclusion into infrastructure. Benefits move directly to verified citizens, leakages shrink by design, small businesses enjoy predictable cash flow, and policy is tuned by data rather than anecdote. Antyodaya – the rise of the last citizen – becomes a standard, not a slogan and remains the litmus test of every scheme, programme and file that makes it to the Prime Minister's Office.

I had the privilege to witness this once again, recently, at Numaligarh, Assam, during the launch of India's first bamboo-based 2G ethanol plant. Standing with engineers, farmers and technical experts, the Prime Minister's queries went straight to the hinge points: how will farmer payments be credited the same day? Can genetic engineering create bamboo that grows faster and increases the length of bamboo stem between nodes? Can critical enzymes be indigenised? Is every component of bamboo, stalk, leaf, residue, being put to economic use, from ethanol to furfural to green acetic acid?

The discussion was not limited to technology. It widened to logistics, the resilience of the supply chain, and the global carbon footprint. There was clarity of brief, precision in detail and insistence that the last person in the chain must be the first beneficiary.

The same clarity animates India's economic statecraft. In energy, a diversified supplier basket and calm, firm purchasing have kept India's interests secure in volatile times. On more than one occasion abroad, I carried a strikingly simple brief: secure supplies, maintain affordability, and keep Indian consumers at the centre. That clarity was respected, and negotiations moved forward more smoothly.

National security, too, has been approached without theatre. Operations that are conducted with resolve and restraint – clear aim, operational freedom to the forces, protection of innocents. The ethic is identical: do the hard work, let outcomes speak.

The work culture

Behind these choices lies a distinctive working style. Discussions are civil but unsparing; competing views are welcomed, drift is not. After hearing the room, he reduces a thick dossier to the essential alternatives, assigns responsibility and names the metric that will decide success. The best argument, not the loudest, prevails; preparation is rewarded; follow-up is relentless.

It is no accident that the Prime Minister's birthday falls on Vishwakarma Jayanti, the day of the divine architect. The parallel is not literal but instructive: in public life, the most enduring monuments are institutions, platforms and standards. For the citizen, performance is a benefit that arrives on time and a price that stays fair. For the enterprise, it is policy clarity and a credible path to expand. For the state, it is systems that hold under stress and improve with use. That is the measure by which Narendra Modi should be seen, shaping the next chapter of the Indian story.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Leh protests

It is saddening that idyllic Ladakh experienced violence (Front page, September 26). When Jammu and Kashmir was bifurcated, as Union Territories, the streets in Leh erupted in jubilation. Just a few years later, the same streets have witnessed violent protests by locals demanding Statehood. Prolonged unrest in Ladakh is not good for the country as it borders Pakistan and China.

Kshirasagara Balaji Rao,
Hyderabad

State of the UN

The United Nations was meant to embody collective security. Instead, it has become hostage to the narrow interests of its five permanent members. The United States, the United Kingdom, France, Russia and China wield the veto not as a safeguard of peace but as a weapon of manipulation. Conflicts fester and humanitarian crises deepen because resolutions stand blocked at the altar of geopolitics. From Syria to Ukraine to Palestine, the United Nations stays reduced to a rhetoric of great powers playing out their rivalries. The U.S. President Donald Trump's denunciation of the United Nations as ineffective could be bluntly amusing but for the two devastating wars now playing out endlessly and the institution being crippled by design. Until the veto is dismantled or diluted, the UN will be no arbiter of world order.

R. Narayanan,
Navi Mumbai

Fighting Russia's war

It was not surprising to read the report, "Sri Lankans being trafficked to fight Russia's war in Ukraine: UN expert" ('World' page, September 26). The world is now witness to all kinds of misadventures using unemployed youth in poor countries. What a terrible way to recruit a mercenary army. It deserves to be condemned by one and all. Unfortunately, the United Nations is a white elephant and unable to resolve conflicts of this nature. It dances to the tunes of major western countries. Russia should see reason and stop the war with Ukraine.

Govardhana Myneedu,
Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh

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Amit Kirtaniya at a practice session at the National Centre for Divyang Empowerment in Rangareddy district. In June 2023, after stepping on an IED, Kirtaniya lost both legs, sustained 95% physical disability in his right arm, and lost vision in his right eye. NAGARA GOPAL

Giving warriors a fighting chance

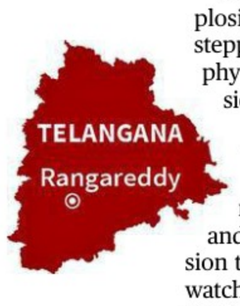
In 2020, the National Centre for Divyang Empowerment was established as an exclusive facility for training CAPF personnel who suffer injuries and become physically challenged in the line of duty. In five years, the centre has trained 219 'Divyang warriors', producing medal-winning para-athletes and IT professionals. **Vijaita Singh** and **Naveen Kumar** report on how the facilities on campus give the injured a new lease of life

Until a year ago, Amit Kirtaniya, 33, would tremble with fear every time he heard the sound of a utensil dropping on the floor. The clatter would disrupt his sleep and bring back traumatic memories.

On June 5, 2023, Kirtaniya, a constable with the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), and two of his colleagues were patrolling the hills of Bijapur district in Chhattisgarh after receiving information that Maoists were on the move. Suddenly, there was an explosion. "We were thrown in the air in different directions," Kirtaniya recalls.

The three men lay bleeding on the hill. A few hours later, a rescue team arrived and flew them by chopper to a government hospital nearby.

The area had been filled with Improvised Explosive Devices (IED), Kirtaniya says. Having stepped on one, he lost both legs, sustained 95% physical disability in his right arm, and lost vision in his right eye.



"A day later, I was airlifted by an air ambulance to Delhi's All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) where I was admitted for 15 days," he says. "I was awake and conscious. The doctors sought my permission to amputate my legs above the knee. I had watched a viral video which gave me hope that I would be able to walk again with artificial limbs. So, I agreed."

The CRPF, one of the seven Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) in India, helped him get artificial limbs last April at the National Centre for Divyang Empowerment (NCDE) in Hyderabad. Divyang, which means divine body part, was a term introduced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2015 to refer to persons with disabilities.

Located at the CRPF Group Centre in Hakimpet, on the outskirts of Hyderabad in Telangana's Rangareddy district, the NCDE is the only facility of its kind in the country. Conceived by former CRPF chief, Dr. A.P. Maheshwari, and inaugurated in December 2020, the NCDE is an exclusive facility for training CAPF personnel who suffer injuries and become physically challenged in the line of duty. In just five years, the NCDE has trained over 219 'Divyang warriors', as they are called on campus, producing medal-winning para athletes and skilled IT professionals.

Infrastructural support

The NCDE has a sprawling campus. It has about 180 barracks, each divided into 10x10 feet cubicles fitted with a table, chair, wardrobe with adjustable handles, a motorised bed, a shoe rack, and a window. Of the barracks, more than 100 are wheelchair-friendly, complete with attendant support. It is common to see Divyang warriors rise from their wheelchairs to salute superiors.

The campus is equipped with wide ramps and elevators, and motorised buggies and vans to ferry trainees across its grounds. A hospital behind its main complex was built to handle emergencies. The Renault Group, a French multinational automobile manufacturer, has pledged motorised wheelchairs, sports chairs, and a bus by November 2025, signalling further expansion of mobility support to the personnel on campus.

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> **DR. K. NAGARJUNA**
> Clinical psychologist

Kirtaniya says the artificial limbs were uncomfortable at first, but have now become a part of him. "I remove them while resting or sleeping. It takes 5-7 minutes to wear the entire gear, which requires servicing too. In the monsoon season, the equipment retains moisture and needs further maintenance," he says.

The constable, who used to trek for miles in jungles wearing a bulletproof jacket and carrying a gun, has been training to be an archer at the NCDE for the last one and a half years. His batch consists of 20 trainees. Seven of them have already been selected for national games ranging from archery to discus throw. The trainees are also provided skill development classes in IT, which are run in collaboration with BITS Pilani.

Kirtaniya's efforts have resulted in some success. The father of two children won two medals – a bronze and a silver – at the Khelo India Para Games this year. He is happy, but says he misses the jungles. "I trained to be a fighter, but now I am a sportsperson," he says.

The physical training infrastructure at the campus is comprehensive. A ramp leads to a fully equipped gym, tailored for the needs of persons with disabilities, with specially designed machines calibrated to their strengths and requirements. Physiotherapists guide them through sessions that focus on improving gait, strengthening arms, and shedding excess weight gained during recovery. Separate physiotherapy rooms offer focused exercises to restore mobility.

At a meditation hall, two daily sessions of deep relaxation, mindfulness, and progressive muscle relaxation are conducted to reduce stress, anxiety, and minimise trauma. The counselling wing, led by specialists, focuses on post-traumatic stress disorder and trauma care. The wing also often handles cases of candidates who feel suicidal.

"Our goal is to instil confidence in the people here so that they can lead a dignified life even with a physical disability," says Dr. K. Nagarjuna, a clinical psychologist at the wing.

A badminton practice session at the National Centre for Divyang Empowerment. NAGARA GOPAL

The risk of dangerous operations

The CRPF is the main force deployed for anti-Maoist operations. In the 38 districts in India affected by Left Wing Extremism (LWE), 15 were located in Chhattisgarh in 2024. Following a directive by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs, security forces have intensified operations in LWE-affected States, particularly Chhattisgarh, since 2023. Continuous operations have led to a sharp decline in LWE-affected districts from 126 in 2013 to 18 districts in April 2025. Four of the six most affected districts are in Chhattisgarh, according to data from the Ministry.

However, these operations have also led to many grievous injuries. Since 2016, at least 46 CRPF personnel have lost limbs in IED explosions in LWE-affected areas. In 2023, 10 personnel had to undergo amputations as their limbs were damaged in explosions.

On July 27, Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan said that CAPF personnel who get severely injured during operations and have to undergo amputation will be allowed to continue in service until retirement with all the benefits. Mohan said the government will ensure that the best medical facilities and technology are available for limb replacement surgery for CAPF personnel.

Until July 30 this year, the NCDE had facilitated the fitment of 106 artificial limbs while 135 fitments are under process. Rehabilitation includes personnel who suffer bullet wounds and injuries from road accidents while on their way to duty or on leave.

According to Veer Raju, Deputy Inspector General, CRPF, who is in charge of the NCDE, the affected personnel are screened when they come to the institute. Based on their level of interest, they are assigned jobs. Some opt for sports, while others help gather intelligence through data mining or monitor social media.

The personnel usually stay on campus for one two months, sometimes with their families. Those who are selected for sports stay on campus permanently. Those who leave, after undergoing tests, get clerical or desk jobs.

"The NCDE caters to the rehabilitation of all CAPF personnel who are injured while fighting LWE, terrorists, or insurgency in the Northeast. One of the most difficult tasks for the CRPF is to operate in LWE areas, where Maoists frequently plant bombs to demoralise troops. The injured personnel endure trauma all their lives, so we want to instil hope in them," he says.

The officer adds that injured jawans have the 'phantom limb syndrome', a condition where individuals who have had a limb amputated continue to feel sensations such as pain, as if they still have a limb. "They have to be counselled," he says. "This syndrome has to be managed systematically and scientifically."

Raju adds that unlike para athletes born with physical challenges, CAPF personnel have to adapt to the sudden bodily changes. "Some of the injured personnel are now participating in games at the national level and planning to compete in international games. They are soldiers who are determined and motivated. At one point, they stayed in jungles for 15 days at a stretch, walking 40-50 kilometres with weapons and bags weighing 10-15 kilogrammes. That kind of survival strategy comes in handy when they switch to sports."

Winning medals

Toman Kumar, posted as a constable at the CRPF Group Centre in Raipur, is part of the sixth batch of the NCDE. Kumar's life changed on February 12, 2022, when he suffered grievous injuries in an IED blast during operations with the 209 Commando Battalion for Resolute Action, an elite special operations unit of the CRPF. His left leg was amputated above the knee, and he was admitted for extensive rehabilitation.

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> **RAMANUJ KUMAR**
> Constable

On October 27, 2023, he received his limb fitment at the NCDE. Under the guidance of his coach, Pankaj, Kumar trained in archery and was inducted into the para archery team at the national level in 2024. Kumar won a silver medal at the 13th All India Police meet, a gold and two silver medals at the 6th Para Nationals 2025, and a silver at the 2nd Khelo India Games 2025. He ranked seventh at the European Para Archery Cup in Rome, eighth at the Asian Para Archery Championships in Beijing, and fourth at the Para Archery World Ranking event in the Czech Republic. Now, all eyes are on him at the ongoing World Archery Para Championships in Gwangju, Korea. The centre has arranged a live link to watch him perform, and anticipation runs high.

A senior government official says CAPF personnel have to be physically fit to be eligible for promotions. After a CAPF personnel is injured in an operation, a medical board is constituted to decide if they are employable with the existing disabilities. "If the board decides that the personnel are not fit to continue in service, they are compulsorily retired but are given full pension and other financial entitlements. However, if the board rules otherwise, they are accommodated in other roles," says the official.

The official says good quality prosthetics are expensive. Often the reimbursement of the cost incurred is according to the rates decided by the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS). The CAPF's welfare fund was used to meet the shortfall, but this was not found to be enough as the CGHS rates for prostheses have not been changed since 2014. In April, the government decided to use the money from the Bharat Ke Veer platform, launched by then Home Minister Rajnath Singh in 2017 to help the families of paramilitary personnel killed in combat operations. It was registered as a trust in 2018 and the donations were exempted from income tax.

The beginnings

Former CRPF Director General A.P Maheshwari, who started the NCDE, says, "In 2012 when I was posted as an Inspector General with the CRPF, I met a jawan who lost both his legs in an IED explosion in Jharkhand. When he was offered compensation, he asked me, 'What will I do with the money?' Sometimes they were assigned roles as telephone operators or they were made to sit at a ration shop. That is when I decided that something should be done to give them a dignified life."

Maheshwari says it took another eight years for NCDE to materialise. Now it serves as a single-window system to address the grievances of physically disabled troops. He says it was a matter of concern that an increasing number of personnel were losing limbs on duty. And while the government was providing a financial package for them, the real challenge was to re-employ them as many were being "boarded out" due to the physical disabilities. "That also had an adverse psychological impact on other soldiers who thought that if they lost their limbs, they would also be in a similar position," Maheshwari says.

The officer adds, "While there were efforts by the government, they were decentralised. Depending on the rank, the personnel had to run from one office to another to get medically examined, get the limbs sanctioned. Now, everything is available at one centre. The idea is that they should not feel helpless or worthless."

Sanjit Singh Rawat, who has been training the para-shooting team for the past two years, says, "I used to train able-bodied athletes earlier. I find that para-athletics have stronger willpower. We train them to improve their mental strength and also focus on their wellness."

Aiming high

Constable Ramanuj Kumar, 33, was a navigator. His job was to lead the team with the help of GPS coordinates. On June 14, 2020, he stepped on an IED in Chhattisgarh and lost his right leg below the knee.

"I saw my leg fly in the air and fall into the bushes. The other leg was badly injured. More than pain, I remember feeling a burning sensation. While one leg was cut below the knee, the other was amputated above the knee. Initially, I fell down multiple times from my bed. I used to wake up at night to go to the bathroom or to fetch water thinking I still have legs," Kumar says.

The constable has embraced shot put and discus throw as part of the "second innings" of his life. The gym and physiotherapy facilities at the NCDE, with specially designed equipment and a separate physiotherapy room, have helped him strengthen his arms and improve his gait. He also attends meditation sessions.

"I do not want friends and family to look at me with pity. I came to the NCDE and took to sports. When they were screening me for eligibility, I used to rank last in the games. I told myself, 'If others can do it, why not me?' With practice I improved and I have won five medals at the national level," Kumar says.

Kumar is also focusing on strength training. "Since I go to the gym regularly, my prostheses require frequent servicing and maintenance. After getting artificial limbs, and due to the uneven structure of my legs, I faced trouble while balancing my walk, but I am used to it now. I want to go international. I know it's a long way but I am working towards it," says Kumar, whose display picture on WhatsApp shows him posing in the forests of Chhattisgarh in a camouflage uniform and ankle-length boots, holding an AK-47 rifle.

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Trump slaps tariffs on drugs, trucks, furniture

The Trump administration has opened a dozen probes into the national security ramifications of imports of wind turbines, airplanes, semiconductors, polysilicon, copper, timber and lumber and critical minerals to form the basis of new tariffs.

Mr. Trump this week announced new probes into personal protective equipment, medical items, robotics and industrial machinery.

Mr. Trump has made the levies a key foreign policy tool, using them to renegotiate trade deals, extract concessions and exert political pressure on other countries. His administration has touted tariffs as a significant revenue source, with Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent saying Washington could collect $300 billion by the end of the year.

Mr. Trump said the new heavy-duty truck tariffs were to protect manufacturers from "unfair outside competition" and said the move would benefit companies such as Paccar-owned Peterbilt and Kenworth and Daimler Truck-owned Freightliner.

Sonam Wangchuk detained under NSA

The detention of the prominent climate activist and Ramon Magsaysay Award recipient came as Leh reeled under a curfew for the second straight day. Dozens of local residents, including many of Mr. Wangchuk's supporters, were rounded up in Leh over a 24 hour period.

In Kargil, another major town in Ladakh, the authorities have imposed Section 163 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), barring gatherings of more than four people. In the wake of Mr. Wangchuk's detention, shopkeepers downed their shutters in the main market.

The use of the NSA, which allows for a prolonged period in jail, indicated that Mr. Wangchuk's preventive detention was triggered by the recent violent protests in Leh, and not in relation to any of the other cases filed against the activist.

On Wednesday, protesters, mainly youth, had resorted to violence at the BJP headquarters and the Secretariat of the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council-Leh. Four civilians were killed and 90 others were injured by the security forces taking action against the protesters.

Talks after cremation of youths

Meanwhile, Chering Dorjey Lakrook, president of the Ladakh Buddhist Association (LBA) and co-chairman of the LAB, an umbrella group, said no talks can be held as yet between the LAB and MHA in Leh because of the pending last rites of the four civilians killed on September 24. They will be cremated on September 28 and 29, the LBA said.

Mr. Lakrook also stressed that Mr. Wangchuk had no role in the violence that erupted on September 24. "This narrative that Mr. Wangchuk provoked protesters is wrong. It was the news of two protesters, who were on hunger strike and were hospitalised on September 24, which caused concern among youth. The next day around 7,000 people, mostly youth, joined the hunger strike," Mr. Lakrook said.

There is growing anger among religious, political, and civil society bodies in Ladakh over Mr. Wangchuk's detention. "If Mr. Wangchuk has been arrested for his peaceful agitation, we condemn the same," said Ladakh MP Haji Hanifa.

Omar Abdullah, Chief Minister of the neighbouring UT of Jammu and Kashmir, said that Mr. Wangchuk's detention was unfortunate but not surprising. "What's difficult to understand is why the Centre has failed to fulfil its promises," said Mr. Abdullah, who is a former CM of the erstwhile State of J&K, which had included Ladakh.

(With inputs from Vijaita Singh)

In 2019, three Ministries gave nod to Ladakh's tribal status

Ministries of Home, Tribal Affairs, and Law, and NCST concurred on Sixth Schedule; but in 2022, Centre said the UT administration was ensuring the 'development' that tribal status would bring

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People of Leh stage a protest demanding Statehood for Ladakh and inclusion of the Union Territory in the Sixth Schedule. FILE PHOTO

Weeks after the Union Territory of Ladakh was created in August 2019, three Ministries of the Union government gave a green light to the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) to recommend Ladakh's inclusion as a tribal area under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution, according to minutes of an NCST meeting held on September 11, 2019, seen by *The Hindu*.

Six years ago, the NCST had taken *suo motu* cognisance of the demand for the inclusion of Ladakh in the Sixth Schedule. In a meeting on September 11, 2019, it had recommended "after careful consideration" that the "UT of Ladakh be brought under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution".

'No objection'

As per the minutes of this 119th meeting of the Commission, the panel had consulted the Ministries of Home, Tribal Affairs, and Law and Justice in a meeting on September 4, 2019, to discuss the issue. In this meeting, the Commission said that after deliberations, the "Ministries were of the opinion that they have no objection in case the Commission recommends for granting Tribal area status to the UT of Ladakh in the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution."

Accordingly, the Commission had recommended the UT's inclusion in the Sixth Schedule, also noting that before the creation of Ladakh as a UT, the locals had certain agrarian rights and rights over land that restricted people from outside the region from purchasing or acquiring land in Ladakh.

In its recommendation, the committee said it felt that Ladakh's inclusion in the Sixth Schedule would protect these agrarian rights, including rights on land.

While the Ministry of Tribal Affairs issued a statement on this recommendation of the Commission at the time, this statement had left out the opinion of the Ministries.

The Home Ministry told Parliament in December 2019 that the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Act, 1997, already provided for the creation of autonomous hill development councils in the Ladakh region, the powers for which are "more or less in line with the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution of India".

BJP's poll promise

However, the following year, when the Hill Council of Leh went to polls in 2020, the Bharatiya Janata Party had promised constitutional safeguards for the region under the Sixth Schedule in its manifesto.

Yet, in December 2022, responding to a Parliamentary panel's suggestion to explore the possibility of Sixth Schedule status to Ladakh, the Home Ministry had said: "The main objective for inclusion of tribal population under Fifth/Sixth Schedule is to ensure their overall socio-economic development, which, the UT Administration has already been taking care of since its creation. Sufficient funds are being provided to Ladakh to meet its overall developmental requirements."

Activist's detention a tactic to divert attention: Congress

The Hindu Bureau
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The crux of the issue is that the BJP has deceived the people of Ladakh for years, says Jairam Ramesh

The Congress on Friday condemned the detention of activist Sonam Wangchuk and demanded a judicial probe into the killing of four youth during the agitation for Statehood in Ladakh that turned violent.

In a post on X, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh alleged that the detention of Mr. Wangchuk, a noted environmentalist and educationist, under the National Security Act, was done "to divert attention and responsibility from the BJP's abysmal failure to maintain law and order and ensure security of life and property in the Union Territory of Ladakh." He added: "The crux of the issue is that the BJP has deceived the people of Ladakh for years. It promised the region Sixth Schedule status in the 2020 Leh Hill Council Elections and has gone back on that promise with a vengeance."

In another post, Mr. Ramesh said that Nawang Rigzin Jora, president of Congress unit in Ladakh, has written to the Lieutenant-Governor of the Union Territory of Ladakh Kavinder Gupta, demanding a judicial inquiry into the killings of the four young men.

Mr. Jora also denied the government's allegation that the Congress had helped incite the violence. "There is a lot of blame game going around. Some of these are targeting the Congress councillor for leading the mob on the basis of a purported photograph. Nothing can be further from the truth. We challenge the administration on this count," Mr. Jora said.

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) chief Arvind Kejriwal condemned the activist's arrest and claimed that those drunk on arrogance and tyranny will face a "terrible downfall". Party MP Sanjay Singh alleged that the BJP government has fallen into a state of mental bankruptcy. "The arrest of Sonam Wangchuk is a symbol of Hitler-style dictatorship," he said.

Awaiting the copy of formal detention order, says Wangchuk's wife

Vijaita Singh
NEW DELHI

After the detention of climate activist Sonam Wangchuk two days after a protest took a violent turn in Leh city of Ladakh, his wife Gitanjali Angmo on Friday said she was yet to receive a copy of the formal detention order.

Ms. Angmo told *The Hindu* that her husband was not on the way to Leh to address a press conference when he was detained as being alleged. "We will prepare the legal response once we get a copy of the order," she added. Ms. Angmo said hundreds of police personnel came to his village Uletokpo, around 60 km from Leh, on Friday afternoon and detained him under the National Security Act (NSA). Later, over phone, they told her that a copy of the detention order would be served soon to the family.

While a senior government official told *The Hindu* that the activist was detained under the NSA, there was no official statement by the Ladakh administration or the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) regarding the detention.

"...It was the security personnel who used tear gas first, and as a reaction to that, the youth started pelting stones and the whole thing escalated. Sonam had nothing to do with it. Forget inciting it, he was not even aware of this," she said.

Ms. Angmo is the co-founder of Himalayan Institute of Alternative Studies (HIAL), whose land allotment was cancelled last month.

India says NATO chief's remarks on Modi-Putin talks 'entirely baseless'

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

India on Friday described as "factually incorrect and entirely baseless" the remarks by NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte on the impact of U.S. President Donald Trump's penalty tariff on India for its continued purchase of Russian crude oil.

"We expect the leadership of an important institution like NATO to exercise greater responsibility and accuracy in public statements. Speculative or careless remarks that misrepresent the Prime Minister's engagements or suggest conversations that never occurred are unacceptable," said Randhir Jaiswal, Official Spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs.

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> MEA Spokesperson

Speaking to CNN's Christiane Amanpour on Thursday in New York, Mr. Rutte had said, "This (tariff) immediately impacts Russia because that means Delhi is now on the phone with Vladimir Putin in Moscow, and Narendra Modi is asking him, 'I support you, but again could you explain to me this strategy because I have now been hit by these 50% tariffs by the United States'."

Mr. Jaiswal reiterated that India was committed to "ensure predictable and affordable energy costs" to the Indian consumers and that India will take all "necessary measures to safeguard its national interests and economic security".

Addressing the weekly press briefing on Friday, Mr. Jaiswal also gave details of the discussion held in New York between External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio on September 22, where India-U.S. bilateral trade and increase in tariffs by the United States had been the "focus". The Indian side was in contact with the U.S. administration over the sharp hike in H-1B visa fees amounting to $100,000 per visa application, he added.

"External Affairs Minister and U.S. Secretary of State met on the sidelines of UNGA on September 22, 2025. They were joined by the Commerce and Industry Minister (Piyush Goyal) and U.S. Trade Representative (Jamieson Greer), as also officials on both sides. The focus of the discussion was on trade and tariffs. Other aspects of our bilateral relationship were also reviewed," said Mr. Jaiswal, elaborating on the talks held in a New York hotel, days after U.S. President Donald Trump issued a proclamation hiking the H-1B visa fees.

Mr. Jaishankar's meeting with Mr. Rubio was one of the several meetings that he held in New York.

Custodial death case: top court tells M.P., CBI to arrest police officers by October 7

Aaratrika Bhaumik
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday gave the Madhya Pradesh government and the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) until October 7 to arrest two absconding police officers accused in the custodial death of 25-year-old Deva Pardhi. The top court issued a warning that failure to do so would invite contempt and require the State's Additional Chief Secretary and the CBI's investigating officer to be present in court the following day (October 8).

A Bench of Justices B.V. Nagarathna and R. Mahadevan said this was "one last opportunity" for the authorities to implement its May 15 order, which had transferred the probe to the CBI, and directed that the accused police officers be arrested within a month.

"There is no progress in the implementation of the direction of this court... In view of the ensuing court vacation, we direct that the respondents ensure the compliance of the direction of this court and file an affidavit on or before October 7 by serving a copy of the same to the counsel for the petitioner," it said.

When the State's counsel urged the court to dispense with the requirement of personal appearance of the officials, the court said: "We are proceeding rather slowly and cautiously. However, if there is no compliance, let them be ready for framing of charges." The judges also indicated that they may summon the State's Director-General of Police if the arrests are not made by the deadline.

The State's counsel submitted that the accused officers, Inspectors Sanjiv Singh Mawai and Uttam Singh Kushwaha, had been absconding since April, and clarified that their salaries had not been released since May. In the previous hearing, the Bench had taken strong exception to the continued disbursal of salaries despite its arrest order, terming it as "aggravated contempt".

Manmohan Singh Library opened at Cong. headquarters

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The newly inaugurated Dr. Manmohan Singh Research Centre and Library at Indira Bhawan. AICC

Congress Parliamentary Party (CPP) chairperson Sonia Gandhi on Friday inaugurated a library named after former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh at the party headquarters, on the occasion of his 93rd birth anniversary.

Party president Mallikarjun Kharge, Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, Dr. Singh's widow Gursharan Kaur and other family members were present.

Contains 1,200 books

The library houses about 1,200 books, chronicling the journey of the Congress and the country.

It features sections dedicated to Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Indira Gandhi, multiple volumes of The Encyclopedia of the Congress, as well as the party's poll manifestoes.

Though the Congress had maintained an informal library at its 24, Akbar Road office, this is the first time the party has built a formal facility with more than 1,200 books at its new Indira Bhawan headquarters.

U.P. town tense as protesters clash with police following row over posters on Prophet

Mayank Kumar
LUCKNOW

Tensions rose in Bareilly city of Uttar Pradesh on Friday after the followers of an Islamic cleric carrying "I Love Muhammad" banners clashed with the police resulting in lathi charge.

A huge crowd gathered near the Islamia Ground in the communally sensitive town after Friday prayers in response to a call by the cleric to protest against the police action against those who carried "I Love Muhammad" posters during an Id-e-Milad-un-Nabi procession in Kanpur on September 4. The police had filed a first information report (FIR) against 24 people in this regard. Right-wing groups had then objected to the use of such posters during the procession, citing a "deviation from tradition".

Boiling over: Security personnel lathi-charge protesters during a demonstration held in Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh on Friday. PTI

After the Friday prayers, some protesters allegedly threw stones at the police and raised objectionable slogans. The police lathi-charged them to control the situation. The police said they had denied permission for the protest. "...The administration denied permission in written and verbal form. Most people went home after Friday prayers, but some individuals violated Section 163 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita [that prohibits protests without permission] and attempted to enter the ground. These miscreants misbehaved with the police and threw stones. The police used minimum force to disperse the crowd," the Bareilly police said in a statement.

Modi unveils scheme for women in Bihar, criticises RJD's reign

75 lakh women get ₹10,000 each to start business; PM says women bore the brunt of lawlessness and corruption under previous RJD regime

Amit Bhelari
PATNA

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana, a State-funded assistance scheme for women in Bihar, on Friday.

He rolled out the self-employment scheme through videoconferencing from Delhi, and directly transferred ₹10,000 each into the bank accounts of 75 lakh women in the poll-bound State.

Chief Minister and JD(U) leader Nitish Kumar as well as Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary of the BJP joined the event from Patna.

The programme was initially scheduled for September 22, with only the Chief Minister slated to release the funds. However, a senior State BJP leader later suggested that, in view of the coming Assembly election, the Prime Minister's participation would send a stronger message on women's empowerment.

The scheme is meant to help women start their own business. Based on their performance, the government will provide an additional ₹2 lakh after six months. The assistance can be utilised in areas of their choice, including agriculture, animal husbandry, handicrafts, tailoring, weaving, and other small-scale enterprises.

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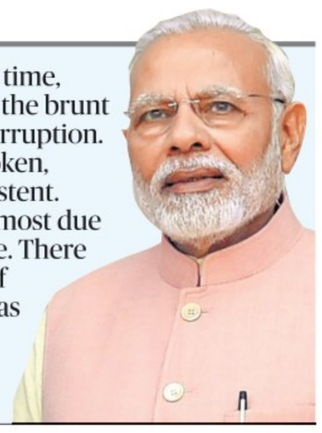
> **NARENDRA MODI**
> Prime Minister



Transferring a total of ₹7,500 crore for the scheme on Friday, Mr. Modi criticised the earlier RJD government and urged everyone not to forget the days when Bihar was under the "lantern government", referring to the RJD's election symbol.

"During that time, women in Bihar bore the brunt of lawlessness and corruption. Major roads were broken, bridges were non-existent. Women suffered the most due to poor infrastructure. During floods, the hardships used to intensify, with pregnant women unable to reach hospitals on time," he said.

'Daughters safe now'

There was an atmosphere of fear during the RJD's rule in Bihar, he said. "No household was safe. Maoist violence was unchecked. From the poor to families of doctors and IAS officers, none was spared from the atrocities committed by RJD leaders," Mr. Modi said.

He emphasised that under the leadership of Mr. Kumar, the rule of law has been restored in Bihar and its daughters now step out of their homes without fear and have the freedom to work even late at night.

DRDO wins *businessline*'s Changemaker of the Year Award for its strategic technology

Janaki Krishnan
MUMBAI

Education, social welfare, and the empowerment of marginalised sections were the major themes recognised this year at *The Hindu businessline*'s Changemaker Awards, and the theme of indigenous production was underlined by the Defence Research and Development Organisation's winning of the Changemaker of the Year Award.

The ceremony for the seventh edition of the awards started on a melodious note with R. Sudhir creating magical tunes with his fluteboxing and drew to a close with chief guest Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri, reminiscing about his days as a diplomat.

The award for Social Transformation went to Hasina Karbhih's Impulse NGO Network, which is engaged in anti-trafficking efforts and rehabilitating vulnerable women as well as children from rat-hole mining in Meghalaya.

The Digital Transformation Award went to Bhashini, a government project aiming for accuracy in translation of languages on its platform while harnessing artificial intelligence to deliver it. CEO Amitabh Nag said the company receives 20 million translation requests every day.

Excellence exemplified: Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Hardeep Singh Puri with award winners at the *The Hindu businessline* Changemaker Awards ceremony in Mumbai on Friday. K. Venugopal, Chairman, Kasturi & Sons; Nirmala Lakshman, Chairperson, The Hindu Group, and Raghuvir Srinivasan, Editor, *businessline*, are present. EMMANUAL YOGINI

The Financial Transformation Award was received by Kalpana Kumari, managing director of Girijan Cooperative Corporation, for the success of Araku Valley coffee, a unique variant of Arabica coffee from the Eastern Ghats. She dedicated the award to the hundreds of workers of the Girijan Cooperative Corporation and the thousands of farmers involved. She said the corporation has been working to strengthen tribal communities and use AI to bring further progress for such farmers.

The Young Changemaker Award went to Kalyani Shinde, founder of Godaam Innovations. She won the honour for setting up India's first Internet of Things-based onion storage solution device that monitors the microclimate of onion warehouses and tracks temperature, humidity and gases emitted during the early stages of spoilage.

Promoting literacy

The Chairperson's Award went to Bengaluru-based eVidyaloka, which is bridging the education divide across the country by promoting literacy using digital classrooms and matching children's needs with a 70,000-strong volunteer base that is spread across the world.

The Azim Premji Foundation won the Iconic Changemaker Award for its pioneering and extensive work in education and healthcare. The foundation has over 2,500 members and works with 1,320 partner organisations across India.

The DRDO won the Changemaker of the Year Award for its role during Operation Sindoor in neutralising enemy assets and securing India's borders.

"Today our organisation works on all critical defence technologies starting from underwater, sea, land, air, space and cyber technologies. Our endeavour is to make the country self-reliant in this very critical domain of defence technologies," said Ummalaneni Raja Babu, Distinguished Scientist and Director General - Missiles and Strategic Systems.

The presenting partner for the event was SASTRA Deemed University, and the event was co-powered by the State Bank of India. The associate partners were LIC (Life Insurance Corporation of India), Bank of Baroda, the Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd., NTPC Ltd., GAIL (India) Ltd., ICFAI Business School (IBS), Oil India Ltd. and Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. The State partner was the Government of Sikkim. The luxury watch partner was Citizen, the education partner SSVM Institutions, and the home appliance partner was Ultra, the kitchen appliances brand of Elgi Ultra.

'GST Council did not discuss compensation for States'

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The GST Council did not discuss the issue of compensating States for revenue loss due to the latest rate cuts, the Finance Ministers of Telangana and Kerala, members of the Council, told *The Hindu*.

They added that the GST had substantially increased the dependence of the States on the Centre and had eroded their ability to raise their own funds for developmental expenditure.

Speaking at *The Hindu* Mind event in New Delhi, Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu and Kerala Finance Minister K.N. Balagopal opened up about the issues that the States had with the current Centre-State fiscal dynamic.

"The Government of India had assured the States that they would get 14% tax as against the pre-GST period where it used to be somewhere around 14%-18%," Mr. Mallu (who also holds the Finance portfolio) explained. "But by the end of this period, what we have realised is that, forget about 18%, they have not stabilised 14% growth in tax revenue in these five years. It is around 7%-8%."

Coupled with this is the fact that the bulk of the expenditure in the country is incurred by the States, while most of the revenue goes to the Centre.

Use of cess

"As per the Fifteenth Finance Commission report, around 64% of the total expenditure of the entire government is borne by the State governments," Mr. Balagopal said. "And they are saying that out of the total revenue of the government, all over India, around 63%-64% is coming to the Union. So, two-thirds of the expenditure is borne by the States but two-thirds of the revenue goes to the Centre."

Fiscal dialogue: Kerala Finance Minister K.N. Balagopal (right) with Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu at *The Hindu* Mind event in New Delhi. SUSHIL KUMAR VERMA

This structure, the Ministers added, was further unbalanced by the Centre's use of cesses. They said that, while the Fifteenth Finance Commission had recommended that the Centre share 41% of its revenue with the States, about 20% of its revenue comes from cesses that do not need to be shared. As a result, about 30%-32% of Central taxes are actually shared with the States.

Expecting a significant hit to revenues due to the Centre's proposed rate cuts, eight States, including Kerala and Telangana, met in Delhi prior to the GST Council meeting on September 3 and decided to ask the council for compensation.

"Actually, in the agenda, the compensation question was also there," Mr. Balagopal said. "But that agenda was not discussed. We gave our speeches, we gave our note, but what could happen on a compensation cess was not discussed."

Mr. Mallu said that all of these factors increased the States' dependence on the Centre and that the GST system would need a considerable re-think.

"The dependency on the Centre for the States... has increased with the GST system because the entire collection is coming to the Centre, and from the Centre, it is coming to the States," Mr. Mallu said.

Mr. Balagopal said the GST rate rationalisation committee, which usually receives detailed reports on any rationalisation plans, did not receive one prior to the latest decisions.

"I was in the GST rate rationalisation committee for the last 3-4 years," he explained. "When we were sitting in the meeting, all the detailed study reports used to come. This time, no report came, only the Union Government's suggestion. So, a detailed analysis was not done."

"How much is the loss, there's no clear picture," Mr. Balagopal added. "We calculated that for Kerala, we are going to see around ₹8,000 crore-10,000 crore revenue loss. Every State has its calculation. So, the actual all-India picture is not there."

Tejashwi lauds sister Rohini; brother Tej Pratap launches outfit

Amit Bhelari
PATNA

Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) leader Tejashwi Yadav on Friday cleared doubts about his sister Rohini Acharya, who was reportedly unhappy with the growing influence of Rajya Sabha member Sanjay Yadav in the party. Mr. Sanjay is political adviser to Mr. Tejashwi.

Mr. Tejashwi said his elder sister, who donated a kidney to RJD chief Lalu Prasad, never had any desire to contest elections and did not seek ticket for anyone else. On Ms. Acharya's cryptic post on X, he said: "Rohini *didi* is my elder sister. The kind of sacrifice she has done for the family, I doubt in today's date anybody can do it."

Praising his sister, Mr. Tejashwi added, "Today also she is busy strengthening the party. There are people in BJP, and trolls on social media who abuse me as well as Lalu*ji* but we are not bothered about them."

Mr. Sanjay broke his silence over the issue saying, "The context in which Rohini*didi* said [in the post] we understand very well. It is the media that blows it out of proportion. Our party is united and there is no misunderstanding."

Meanwhile, Tej Pratap Yadav, the eldest son of Mr. Prasad, announced that he had floated a new outfit, the Janshakti Janata Dal.

AFSPA extended in parts of Manipur, Arunachal, and Nagaland for six months

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Union Home Ministry on Friday extended the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act in parts of Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh, and Nagaland for six months.

In Manipur, the AFSPA has been extended in the whole State, except in jurisdictions of 13 police stations in five valley districts.

The excluded police station limits are Imphal, Lamphel, City, Singjamei, Patsoi, Wangoi, Porompat, Heingang, Irilbung, Thoubal, Bishnupur, Nambol, and Kakching.

In Nagaland, the AFSPA was extended for six months in nine districts – Dimapur, Niuland, Chumoukedima, Mon, Kiphire, Noklak, Phek, Peren and Meluri – and 21 police station limits of five districts (Kohima, Mokokchung, Longleng, Wokha and Zunheboto), another notification said.

Tirap, Changlang and Longding districts in Arunachal Pradesh, and the areas falling within the jurisdiction of Namsai, Mahadevpur and Chowkham police stations in Namsai district, bordering Assam, were declared "disturbed areas" for six months.

The 1958 law gives power to the Army and the Central Armed Police Forces deployed in "disturbed areas" to kill anyone acting in contravention of law, arrest and search any premises without a warrant, and protection from prosecution and legal suits without the Union government's sanction.

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INBRIEF

HC questions maintainability of Sameer Wankhede's suit

The Delhi High Court on Friday questioned the maintainability of a defamation suit filed by Indian Revenue Service (IRS) officer Sameer Wankhede against the Netflix series *Ba***ds of Bollywood*, directed by Aryan Khan and produced by Shah Rukh Khan and Gauri Khan's Red Chillies Entertainment. Justice Purushaindra Kumar Kaurav asked Mr. Wankhede how his case was maintainable in Delhi. Senior advocate Sandeep Sethi, representing him, submitted that the web series was intended for nationwide streaming, including in Delhi, and that the officer had been defamed here. He has sought ₹2 crore damages, claiming that the Netflix series maligns him and discredits anti-drug agencies.

Six killed as roof collapses on steel plant workers in Raipur

Six workers were killed and six injured when the roof collapsed at a private steel plant on the outskirts of Raipur in Chhattisgarh on Friday, said the police. A senior police officer said that the incident was reported at the plant of Godavari Ispat Ltd. in Siltara industrial area. "According to preliminary information, all the victims were working in a newly constructed structure when the roof collapsed. A police team was sent to the spot and brought those trapped under the debris out. Six of them were killed while six others sustained injuries. We are probing how the roof collapsed," said the official.

HC directs repatriation of six Bengal residents

Shiv Sahay Singh
KOLKATA

The Calcutta High Court on Friday directed repatriation of six people from two families hailing from Birbhum in West Bengal who were pushed into Bangladesh.

A Division Bench of Justice Tapabrata Chakraborty and Justice Reetobrata Mitra gave this direction while deciding two writ petitions filed by Bhodu Sheikh and Amir Khan.

Mr. Sheikh sought repatriation of his daughter, son-in-law, and minor grandson, while Mr. Khan sought repatriation of his sister and her two sons.

The Bench did not conclusively decide citizenship but emphasised that due process had been ignored. The court noted that the process and procedure adopted in the deportation raise a suspicion that the authorities concerned, while acting in hot haste, "have clearly violated provisions" of the Home Ministry memo dated May 2.

"Not following such procedure and acting in hot haste to deport them is a clear violation which renders the deportation order bad in law and liable to be set aside," the Bench noted.

MiG-21 jets fly into history after 6 decades of service

Defence Minister calls aircraft symbol of India-Russia ties, says its legacy must serve as lesson for upcoming indigenous platforms; highlights its role in 1971 war, Kargil conflict, Operation Sindoor

Saurabh Trivedi
CHANDIGARH

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Friday described the MiG-21 as not just an aircraft or a machine but a testament to the deep ties between India and Russia, as the Indian Air Force formally decommissioned the iconic fighter jet at the Chandigarh Air Force Station.

"We bid farewell to the Mikoyan-Gurevich MiG-21 from its operational journey. I believe we are closing a chapter that will be written in golden letters not only in the history of the Indian Air Force, but in the history of our entire military aviation," Mr. Singh said.

The last of the MiG-21 jets, belonging to No. 23 Squadron, nicknamed Panthers, were given a grand send-off.

Air Chief Marshal A.P. Singh led the final sortie of the MiG-21 Bison with the call sign Badal 3, demonstrating what the Defence Minister called "the credibility of this machine and the respect it holds in the hearts of air warriors".

Glorious exit: A MiG-21 fighter jet during the retirement ceremony at the Chandigarh Air Force Station on Friday. R. V. MOORTHY

A ceremonial switch-off of six MiG-21 aircraft in front of the dignitaries marked the culmination of the aircraft's operational service. The aircraft document Form-700 was handed over to the Chief of the Air Staff by officers and airmen of No. 23 and Commanding Officer of 28 Squadron.

The event was attended by former IAF chiefs A.Y. Tipnis, S.P. Tyagi, and B.S. Dhanoa, Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla and scores of veterans, many of whom had flown the aircraft. Pilots, engineers, technicians, and ground staff who had worked with the MiG-21 also joined the farewell.

The Surya Kiran aerobatic team, along with Tejas and Jaguar fighters, performed breathtaking manoeuvres during the ceremony.

Mr. Singh highlighted role of MiG-21 in the 1971 war, the Kargil conflict, the Balakot air strike, and Operation Sindoor.

On the future of India's air power, the Defence Minister said the MiG-21's legacy must serve as "a lesson and a DNA" for upcoming indigenous platforms. "We must consider the success of the LCA-Tejas as the beginning of our next mission, and instil confidence in our upcoming fighter aircraft, the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA)," he said.

The decommissioning of the last squadrons has brought down the Air Force's jet squadron strength to a mere 29 for all practical purposes, the lowest since the 1960s when MiG-21s were inducted.

NEET-PG: SC issues notice on pleas for transparency

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday issued notice on a batch of petitions alleging opacity in the conduct of the NEET-PG, 2025 examination, particularly with respect to the disclosure of answer keys and evaluation protocols.

A Bench of Justices J.B. Pardiwala and K.V. Viswanathan directed the National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences to file its response within two weeks. The judges, however, questioned why only 20 candidates had approached the court from among the over two lakh students who appeared for the examination on August 3. The pleas argued that the new mechanism for releasing answer keys was "opaque, unintelligible and incapable of meaningful verification".

"Out of two lakh students who appeared, why do a handful of students have complaints to make?" Justice Pardiwala asked.

He urged candidates to prioritise academics over litigation. The counsel for the petitioners stressed that the non-disclosure of answer keys would adversely affect a large number of students.

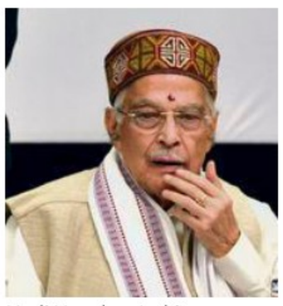
Recall Char Dham project judgment: ex-Minister, environmentalists to SC

Jacob Koshy
NEW DELHI

BJP veteran Murli Manohar Joshi and former Union Minister Karan Singh, along with several environmentalists and scientists, have appealed to the Supreme Court to review its 2021 judgment permitting widening of Himalayan roads, part of the Chardham project, beyond 5.5 metres.

The project involves widening several Himalayan roads and has stoked controversy for more than a decade. Overseen by the Road Transport and Highways Ministry, the project involves widening mountain roads, including those in the Bhagirathi Eco Sensitive Zone (BESZ) and those leading up to India's border with China.

However, environmentalists have argued that cutting hill slopes and the resulting debris are damaging the ecosystem and worsening the impact of landslides, torrential rain as well as causing massive roadblocks and pile-up on these mountain roads. An expert committee set up by the Supreme Court had recommended that the roads be no more than 5.5 metre wide - an intermediate figure from the original Ministry recommendation of 10 metres.



Murli Manohar Joshi

While the Supreme Court initially directed the Ministry to abide by the expert committee recommendation, following subsequent petitions by the government, the Doklam stand-off with China, and assertions by the Defence Ministry that transporting military equipment towards the border with China required wider roads, a Bench headed by former Chief Justice D.Y. Chandrachud upheld the government's mandate to broaden three Himalayan highways considered crucial by the Defence Ministry for quick troop build-up along the India-China border.

It upheld the government mandate to implement a 10-metre width for three National Highways – Rishikesh to Mana, Rishikesh to Gangotri, and Tanakpur to Pithoragarh – that act as feeder roads to the northern border with China.

However, the petition notes that since the Supreme Court order, the result had been "massive landslides, sinking zones and other fragile zones created on highways" all along due to enormous destruction of trees, forest cover, and hill slopes. "All the strategic routes e.g. Badrinath, Gangotri, Pithauragarh were frequently blocked and are often unusable in the monsoon season."

The petition, which has around 50 co-signatories, enumerates various disasters, including the recent torrential rain and damage in Dharali, Uttarakhand, to underline that road construction was having a detrimental impact. The petitioners appealed to the court to "review and recall" the judgment and revert to the expert committee recommendation of 5.5-metre roads in the Himalayan region.

Govt. survey on R&D in India gets weak response from private sector

Jacob Koshy
NEW DELHI

Due to tepid response from private research and development (R&D) firms, the Science and Technology Ministry, which conducts a periodic National Science and Technology Survey to gauge the state of scientific research in India, is set to postpone the publication of its analysis.

The biennial survey, which originated in the mid-1990s, now surveys around 8,000 research and development bodies - public and privately funded - and provides insight into questions such as the country's domestic expenditure on research and development; the share of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) devoted to it; the number of scientists (including the proportion of women) in the country; patents generated, and how India fares on research spending compared with other countries.

Data are used to ascertain general trends on scientific research in the country.

Data for the survey are sourced by the Science Ministry by sending a detailed questionnaire to organisations. Though the identities of firms are masked, the data are used to ascertain general trends on the state of scientific research.

The latest edition of the survey was launched in December 2024 with firms given time until September 30, 2025 to submit responses. While most of the responses from governmental institutions were in, the private sector response has been weak.

"We will likely extend the date till November 30 and publish the results within a month," said Arvind Kumar, the head of the National Science and Technology Management Information System (NSTMIS), the division of the Science Ministry in charge of the exercise. He was speaking at a workshop organised by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) on Friday, to encourage private sector participation in the survey.

As of September, 73% of government R&D institutions had shared their data but only 35% of industry bodies (registered with the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research) and 9% of multinational companies had shared their responses.

Another concern is the funding mix: about 75% of India's R&D spending comes from the public sector, whereas in most advanced economies, private firms contribute the lion's share.

Industry participants said that a major challenge in furnishing such information to the government was that the parameters of what constituted "research and development spending" was not clear. "Many a time, the questionnaire doesn't provide clarity on the numbers that we need to fill. Given that India's GDP per capita is low, India's spend on R&D is actually fairly impressive and we should not at this time compare it to the industrially advanced nations," said Sankalp Sinha, general manager, IBM India, who attended the workshop.

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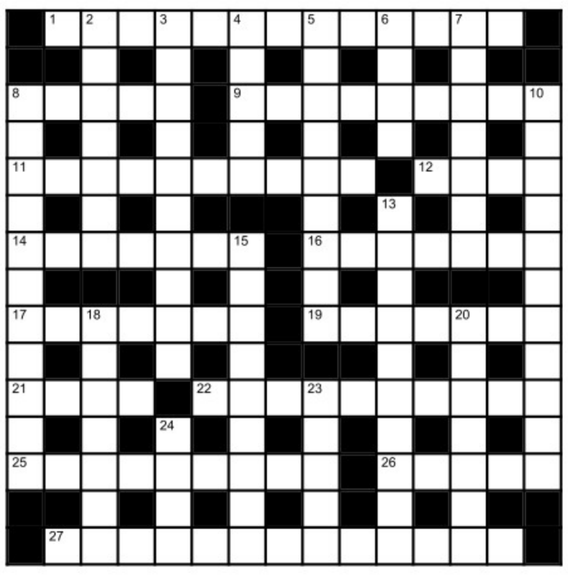

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9 Unusual desire to consume very strong crack (9)
11 Anagram indicator 'zany' at the end in wordbook (10)
12 / 27 Prepare to work hard and expose superior members? (4,2,4,7)
14 Device helping one to leave jet - core's damaged (7)
16 Start to applaud musical group playing in desert (7)
17 Abandon reactionary party permanently (3,4)
19 Shows European nationalist involved in immoralities (7)
21 Came to check about securing shelter for animals (4)
22 Completely fantastic raga, new work to be performed with increasing slowness (10)
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26 One welcoming a member of an Eastern Catholic church (5)
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4 Accessory of American mafia boss stealing diamonds (3-2)
5 Fire a unit arousing anger (9)
6 New volume released for Christmas (4)
7 Drug abused by those wanting a heavenly body (7)
8 Unintended consequences of silicon and iron reviewed in deficiencies (4,7)
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15 Warnings of great danger with Liberal arrested, beaten up (3,6)
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FAITH

Try harder, sage tells Rama

Young people believe that they can achieve anything they seek through effort. On the other hand, older people says what is predestined cannot be changed, regardless of the efforts undertaken, and has to be accepted. If one has *vairagya* and *virakti*, he will not be puzzled by this conundrum but will achieve a fusion of both, said Ramanacharana Tirtha Swami (Nochur).

Lord Rama, when he was a mere lad of 15 years, was presented to sage Viswamitra, who had come on a mission. In the guise of seeking help from Rama in protecting his yagna, Viswamitra was in reality getting the Brahma Rishi Vasishta to impart the great wisdom he had gained from Brahma, to Rama. Dasaratha is worried when Viswamitra asks Rama to accompany him to the forest where the yagna was getting disrupted by the asuras. Vasishta comforts him saying that Viswamitra is in fact on a mission to shower great benefits on the young prince. Viswamitra, setting aside past differences, defers to Vasishta when he asks the Brahma Rishi to part with the great wisdom he gained from Brahma. Such wisdom can be transferred only if the receiver had the right credentials, and Rama, even at that young age, was poised on the edge of detachment, and ready to process Vasishta's guidance.

When Vasishta tells Rama he can do anything he wants, Rama responds saying, he is unable to travel as per his wish due to the effects of his *purva janma karma*. "I am not that powerful," he says. Vasishta advises him to try harder and gradually transcend the negatives. This advice by Vasishta helped Rama gain equipoise. He was thus able to accept his banishment to the forest for 14 years.

BIG STEP

Need to be good enough to put India under pressure, says Hesson

AP

The way we played against India in the last match was a huge step up. It took an exceptional innings from Abhishek Sharma to take the game away from us. We have to be good enough to put India under pressure and do it for longer because India is rated the top side in the world — Pakistan head coach Mike Hesson.

PROLIFIC

Abhishek hammers third straight T20I half-century, joins select list

AFP

Abhishek Sharma hit his third consecutive half-century in the Asia Cup. He joined Virat Kohli (thrice), Rohit Sharma, K.L. Rahul (twice) and Suryakumar Yadav (twice), and Shreyas Iyer as Indian batters with fifties in three straight innings in T20Is. He also became the first to score 300-plus runs in a T20 edition of the Asia Cup.

DONNING MANY HATS

I am confident I can juggle multiple roles: Sciver-Brunt

K. MURALI KUMAR

England's Nat-Sciver Brunt, who was named skipper this April, is confident she can juggle multiple roles of a batter, bowler and leader. "As an all-rounder, I've learnt to compartmentalise different parts of the game. But it is still a learning curve. And I think you learn different things from each game you play," captain said.

WHY NOT!

Healy encourages fans to show up in 'M.S. Dhoni' jerseys

K. MURALI KUMAR

Yellow unites Australia and Chennai Super Kings. Australia skipper Alyssa Healy is banking on that connect. "I'd like to encourage Indian fans to show up in their Chennai M.S. Dhoni shirts. This is the perfect timing for the World Cup. We've seen the growth in WPL. A major tournament, in good conditions, is exciting," said Healy.

Nissanka special in vain as Arshdeep helps the Men in Blue prevail in the Super Over

The opener's hundred not enough as Suryakumar & Co. hold their nerve at the crunch; the left-arm seamer concedes just two runs in the shootout

Arshdeep. AP

Staying cool: The Indians regrouped after the stunning onslaught by Nissanka and Perera. REUTERS

ASIA CUP

Vivek Krishnan
DUBAI

For a game that was a dead rubber, there was high drama at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium on Friday. Under lights, India and Sri Lanka played out a tie to leave the final result to a Super Over. Pathum Nissanka's sublime ton seemed set to help the Lankans end the Asia Cup with a consolation win in the Super Four stage while chasing 203, but India's bowlers held their nerve towards the end stages to bring their way back into the contest.

With 12 needed off the final over, Nissanka ended up hitting the first ball from Harshit Rana to Varun Chakaravarthy at short fine leg. When Dasun Shanaka hit the penultimate delivery for a boundary, the pressure tilted back in Rana's direction. But off the final ball, with Sri Lanka needing three for a win, Shanaka hit Rana towards long-on and scrambled back for two to force a Super Over.

During the chase, Nissanka's partnership of 127 runs with Kusal Perera was the highlight. Pacers Arshdeep Singh and Harshit, who came in for Jasprit Bumrah and Shivam Dube, were attacked with glee early on. Nissanka's dazzling hits took Sri Lanka to 72 for one after six overs.

Perera joined in on the act once India introduced spin. In the sixth over, he hoicked Axar Patel towards the square-leg boundary twice, and then slog-swept Kuldeep Yadav for a four towards midwicket. An identical shot in Varun's opening over also fetched a boundary. In the same over, Nissanka raised his bat on reaching fifty off 25 balls.

Kuldeep, so often the answer to a crisis, was unable to produce a wicket until his final over. In the ninth over, his shorter lengths were hammered towards midwicket as Perera also took just 25 balls for his half-century.

Once Varun had Perera stumped in the 13th over, India looked to tighten the screws by dismissing Charith Asalanka and Kamindu Mendis in quick succession. But Nissanka, who reached his ton with a straight six against Arshdeep, had the opportunity to finish the task at hand.

When India was batting, Abhishek Sharma, Tilak Varma and Sanju Samson played leading roles. While Abhishek slammed a 31-ball 61, Tilak (49 n.o., 34b) and Samson (39, 23b) excelled in the latter stages.

Armed with a method to his madness that appears almost foolproof at the moment, Abhishek emanated a sense of purpose once again. In the second over, Abhishek carted a length ball by Maheesh Theekshana into the blue-shaded seats over midwicket. When the mystery spinner offered width, Abhishek's free-flowing bat swing yielded a boundary over point. The 14-run over got the 25-year-old going as India raced to 71 for one at the end of the PowerPlay. In the process, Abhishek's third straight half-century, off 22 balls, had been brought up.

Once Abhishek was dismissed, the setting was ideal for Tilak and Samson to notch up a score that boosts their confidence before the final. The opportunity was grabbed with a 66-run partnership.

SCOREBOARD

INDIA

Abhishek Sharma c Kamindu b Asalanka 61 *(31b, 8x4, 2x6)*, Shubman Gill c & b Theekshana 4 *(3b, 1x4)*, Suryakumar Yadav lbw b Hasaranga 12 *(13b, 1x4)*, Tilak Varma (not out) 49 *(34b, 4x4, 1x6)*, Sanju Samson c Asalanka b Shanaka 39 *(23b, 1x4, 3x6)*, Hardik Pandya c & b Chameera 2 *(3b)*, Axar Patel (not out) 21 *(15b, 1x4, 1x6)*; Extras (lb-5, w-7, nb-2): 14; Total (for five wkts. in 20 overs): 202.

FALL OF WICKETS

1-15 (Gill, 1.3 overs), 2-74 (Suryakumar, 6.5), 3-92 (Abhishek, 8.4), 4-158 (Samson, 15.3), 5-162 (Hardik, 16.1).

SRI LANKA BOWLING

Thushara 4-0-43-0, Theekshana 4-0-36-1, Chameera 4-0-40-1, Hasaranga 4-0-37-1, Shanaka 2-0-23-1, Asalanka 2-0-18-1.

SRI LANKA

Pathum Nissanka c Varun b Harshit 107 *(58b, 7x4, 6x6)*, Kusal Mendis c Gill b Hardik 0 *(1b)*, Kusal Perera st. Samson b Varun 58 *(32b, 8x4, 1x6)*, Charith Asalanka c Gill b Kuldeep 5 *(9b)*, Kamindu Mendis c Axar b Arshdeep 3 *(7b)*, Dasun Shanaka (not out) 22 *(11b, 2x4, 1x6)*, Janith Liyanage (not out) 2 *(2b)*; Extras (b-1, w-4): 5; Total (for five wkts. in 20 overs): 202.

FALL OF WICKETS

1-7 (Kusal, 0.4), 2-134 (Perera, 12.2), 3-157 (Asalanka, 15.1), 4-163 (Kamindu, 16.4), 5-191 (Nissanka, 19.1).

INDIA BOWLING

Hardik 1-0-7-1, Arshdeep 4-0-46-1, Harshit 4-0-54-1, Axar 3-0-32-0, Kuldeep 4-0-31-1, Varun 4-0-31-1.

Toss: Sri Lanka; **PoM:** Nissanka. *Match Tied.*

Super Over: Sri Lanka 2/2 in 0.5 overs lost to India 3/0 in 0.1 over.

India's next match: Final: Sept. 28 vs Pakistan, Dubai, 8 p.m. IST.

Courting controversy: Rauf may be punished for depicting the downing of aircraft during the Super Four clash against India. AFP

Rauf, Suryakumar likely to be fined

Sports Bureau
DUBAI

Pakistan pacer Haris Rauf and India skipper Suryakumar Yadav are likely to be fined 30 per cent of their match fees by the International Cricket Council (ICC). While the penalty on Suryakumar is pertaining to his comments dedicating India's seven-wicket victory over Pakistan in a Group-A fixture of the Asia Cup to the armed forces and victims of the Pahalgam terror attack, Rauf may be punished for depicting the downing of aircraft in seeming reference to the military conflict in May during Pakistan's six-wicket defeat in the Super Four clash last Sunday.

Rauf's ICC hearing was conducted by match referee Andy Pycroft on Friday.

Hearing against Farhan

There was also a hearing against Sahibzada Farhan, who celebrated his half-century in the Super Four game with a machine-gun gesture, but it remains unclear whether the opening batter's gesture will invoke a sanction.

Suryakumar's hearing was conducted by match referee Richie Richardson on Thursday. "We stand with all the victims of the Pahalgam terror attack and their families. We dedicate this win to the armed forces," Suryakumar had said at the presentation ceremony and the media conference after the match.

The Pakistan Cricket Board had officially objected to Suryakumar's "political remarks". After the second meeting between the two sides, the Board of Control for Cricket in India also made complaints to the ICC against "provocative gestures" by Rauf and Farhan.

India will face Pakistan in Sunday's Asia Cup final for the first time in the tournament's 41-year history.

Young guns hold the key for Proteas

WC COUNTDOWN

Lavanya L

Gone are the days when World Cups were a two-horse race between Australia and England. With semifinal finishes in the last two editions, the Proteas have all the elements and the spunk to give the format's Goliaths a run for their money.

Led by the elegantly devastating opening bat Laura Wolvaardt, 10 players of this squad featured in the 2022 edition. The outfit has a healthy sprinkling of potent all-rounders, from the experience of Marizanne Kapp and Chloe Tryon to young Annerie Dercksen, who scored a sublime century against Sri Lanka in the tri-series also featuring India in May.

The in-form top two of Wolvaardt and Tazmin Brits have amassed an enviable 1536 runs together in this cycle and offer the Proteas a much-needed cushion against other teams with formidable batting barrels. While the middle order has been finding form in patches, the Proteas will hope that luck and execution click together during their campaign in the subcontinent. The side is susceptible to depending too much on its top order and with unfamiliar conditions, particularly across the Indian venues, the middle order needs to carry much more of the load.

The 2017 and 2022 World Cup cycles featured a South African atop the wicket-taking charts (Luus and Shabnim Ismail respectively). The nation not topping charts this time not only points to transitions in roles and personnel but the lack of equally lethal alternatives.

With all teams focusing on their spin armaments, the experience of Nonkululeko Mlaba and Tryon – a seasoned campaigner in Indian conditions – will hold the side in good stead. Being a stingy fielding side is an added bonus.

The realisation of South Africa's promise will depend on whether its young legs can walk a mile in the path of the side's legends. Only then can this prodigal dark horse truly step into its moment in the sun.

Mainstay: All-rounder Kapp's contributions with the bat will be vital for South Africa. GETTY IMAGES

Wolvaardt and Tazmin. GETTY IMAGES

Impact Player

Workload concerns have stolen overs aplenty from Marizanne Kapp's kitty but the feisty all-rounder has compensated with stellar contributions with the bat. One of only three South African batters to manage 1000 runs or more in this cycle, Kapp has three hundreds and six fifties to her name. In testing subcontinental conditions, her grit and gumption will be vital for the Proteas.

Nonkululeko Mlaba, Annerie Dercksen, Anneke Bosch, Masabata Klaas, Sune Luus, Karabo Meso, Tumi Sekhukhune, Nondumiso Shangase.

South Africa's fixtures:

Oct. 3: England (Guwahati); **Oct. 6:** New Zealand (Indore); **Oct. 9:** India (Visakhapatnam); **Oct. 13:** Bangladesh (Visakhapatnam); **Oct. 17:** India (Indore); **Oct. 21:** Pakistan (Colombo); **Oct. 25:** Australia (Indore).

Will cross the line this time: Harmanpreet

N. Sudarshan
BENGALURU

To lead the country in a home World Cup is a rare honour. But when India meets Sri Lanka on September 30 in Guwahati in the ICC Women's World Cup opener, Harmanpreet Kaur will have that bestowed on her.

The 36-year-old is understandably chuffed, and eager to become India's first World Cup-winning captain, hoping to erase past memories of having lost in the final twice - in 2005 to Australia and in 2017 to England.

"I'm sure this time we will cross the line," Harmanpreet said here on Friday at the Captains' Day event.

"We have been playing good cricket and we are only talking about enjoying this moment. We have learnt from our [past] mistakes, and hopefully this time we will be on the other side."

Shot in the arm

In this quest, a shot in the arm is Smriti Mandhana's form, with the world's best-ranked ODI batter making scores of 125, 117 and 58 against the visiting Aussies recently.

"She's been great," Harmanpreet stated.

"The way she's batting nowadays... it's really exciting to watch from outside. She's always there to help, and having her is a big strength for us."

But the skipper knows it will be a tightly contested World Cup.

"Every team has an equal chance to win, and that shows that we have really raised the standard of women's cricket," she opined.

Packed stadiums

"We now have packed stadiums. That is something we really enjoy because we have never seen that before.

"It's been an outstanding journey so far and we are really looking forward to this World Cup, and many more years ahead."

Stiff competition: Healy, second from left, believes Harmanpreet's India, Sciver-Brunt's England, and Devine's New Zealand are going to be tough to beat. K. MURALI KUMAR

> You have labelled us favourites, so thanks for that. but I don't necessarily think that's the case
>
> **ALYSSA HEALY**
> Australia skipper

> I have a firm belief that this is going to be the tightest World Cup we've been a part of
>
> **HEALY**

> When you played here five, 10 years ago, you knew it was going to be turning wickets. Whereas, as you just saw in the Australia-India series, they scored nearly 800 runs [781 in New Delhi], which shows that the quality of the pitches have been outstanding. And the outfield is always lightning quick
>
> **SOPHIE DEVINE**
> New Zealand captain

INBRIEF

Sanju wins Andhra Pradesh Amateur Golf Championship

Sanju clinched a dramatic one-shot victory over Sukhman Singh and Deepak Yadav at the IGU Andhra Pradesh Amateur Golf Championship at the East Point Golf Club in Visakhapatnam on Friday. The 24-year-old held his nerve when needed, carding an even-par 71 for a winning total of 11-under 273 to capture his maiden amateur title. "Although I got a trifle lucky, it does feel great to win my maiden title," Sanju said.

Final scores (after 72 holes): 273: Sanju (70, 64, 68, 71); **274:** Sukhman Singh (68, 65, 72, 69), Deepak Yadav (67, 68, 68, 71); **276:** Harman Sachdeva (69, 71, 68, 68); **277:** Chaitanya Pandey (70, 73, 68, 66), Ishaan Chawhan (70, 71, 68, 68); **278:** Ram Singh Mann (70, 68, 72, 68).

Indian junior women's hockey team loses to Australia U-21

The Indian junior women's hockey team suffered a 2-3 loss to Australia's under-21 side at the National Hockey Centre in Canberra on Friday. Lalthantluangi (47th minute) and Sonam (54th) were the scorers for India, while Bianca Zurrer (36th), Evie Sransby (45th) and Sammy Love (59th) struck for Australia.

Barcelona claims comeback victory at Oviedo

Headers from Robert Lewandowski and Ronald Araujo helped Barcelona make a 3-1 comeback victory at minnows Real Oviedo on Thursday in LaLiga.

The results: Osasuna 1 (Munoz 10) drew with Elche 1 (Pedrosa 90+2); Real Oviedo 1 (Reina 33) lost to Barcelona 3 (Eric Garcia 56, Lewandowski 70, Araujo 88).

Rahul, Sai Sudharsan sizzle in big chase

The former remains unbeaten on 176 while the latter makes 100 as India-A hunts down the 412-run target to win the two-match series 1-0

CRICKET

Sahil Mathur
LUCKNOW

K.L. Rahul and B. Sai Sudharsan showcased discipline and flair in equal measure to script a famous chase for India-A.

On Friday, the pair laid the foundation for a mammoth 412-run pursuit, helping the host clinch the two-match 'Test' series against Australia-A 1-0 at the Ekana Cricket Stadium.

Rahul remained unbeaten on 176 (210b, 16x4, 4x6) while Sai Sudharsan made 100 in 172 deliveries (9x4, 1x6) in a second-wicket stand of 143 runs spread over two days.

Their efforts ensured India-A sealed the sixth-highest successful chase in First Class cricket on Indian soil, completing the job before Tea on the fourth day.

Resuming at 169 for two, needing 243 runs more, Sai Sudharsan opened the morning with a crisp cover drive and soon brought up his fifty off 92 balls. Manav Suthar fell early, sweeping Todd Murphy, which brought Rahul – who had retired hurt on 74 the previous evening – back to the crease.

Rahul and Sai Sudharsan kept the scoreboard moving with controlled strokeplay. The pitch offered less turn than Australia-A had hoped. While the odd ball spun or kept low, the sluggish surface prevented consistent threats, and fumbles in the field further eased the pressure.

The southpaw employed sweeps and reverse sweeps, while Rahul punished anything short. The senior batter advanced down the track to drive past the bowler for his 22nd FC hundred. Soon after, Sai Sudharsan completed his century but perished almost immediately, mistiming a pull off Corey Rocchiccioli.

Dhruv Jurel then joined Rahul and made his intent clear by pulling his first ball for four. Their stand shifted gears, both attacking the spinners and targeting the mid-wicket region. Jurel reached his fifty off 59 balls before falling to a top edge.

With only 30 required, Rahul slog-swept Murphy for six before Nitish Kumar Reddy's consecutive cover drives sealed a landmark victory.

Classy pair: Sai Sudharsan and Rahul were engaged in a second-wicket stand of 143 runs spread over two days. UPCA

The scores: Australia-A 420 & 185 vs India-A 194 & 413/5 in 91.3 overs (K.L. Rahul 176 n.o., Sai Sudharsan 100, Dhruv Jurel 56, Todd Murphy 3/114); **PoM:** Rahul.
India-A won the two-match series 1-0.

Ravishing Beauty claims the Mysore 1000 Guineas

MYSURU: Prasanna Kumar trained Ravishing Beauty (Antony up) won the Mysore 1000 Guineas (1,600m), the first classic event of the season held here on Friday (Sept 26).

The winner is owned by Mr. K. Kaliyaperumal, M/s. DT Racing & Breeding LLP, M/s. Sarainaga Racing Pvt Ltd & Mr. Meka Yugandhar.

Antony confidently kept his filly third or fourth for a while, then sixth position till the bend before manoeuvring his mount from outside in the home stretch. Ravishing Beauty responded well to the reminders and started galloping tremendously to pass the leader Miracle Star near 100m and won resolutely.

THE RESULTS

1. VALAROSA PLATE (2,000M): UNFORGETTABLE STAR (Suraj) 1, Ceremonial (Antony) 2, Supreme Success (Vinod Shinde) 3 and Sundance Kid (R. Pradeep) 4. Not run: Sapient. 3-3/4, 2-1/4 and 20. 2m 06.94s. Rs. 11 (w), 10 and 17 (p), SHP: 23, THP: 23, FP: 33, Q: 32, Trinella: 18/10. Favourite: Unforgettable Star.
Owners: Dr. Cyrus S. Poonawalla, Mr. Adar C. Poonawalla rep. Villoo Poonawalla Racing & Breeding Pvt Ltd. Trainer: Rajesh Narredu.

2. SON OF THE LIGHT PLATE (1,400M): MY LIFE MY RULES (Antony) 1, Gentleman's Word (Gautam Raj) 2, Warrior Woman (P. Ajeeth K) 3 and Bundelkhand Queen (Varun) 4. Not run: Eye The Mind. 1/2, 1 and Shd. 1m 25.93s. Rs. 21 (w), 11, 18 and 11 (p), SHP: 43, THP: 38, FP: 195, Q: 105, Trinella: 441/155, Exacta: 3,266/816. Favourite: My Life My Rules.
Owners: Mr. Suchendra Bal Rajurs, M/s. Kites Network Pvt Ltd & Mr. B.N. Prakash Raj Urs. Trainer: K. Aditya.

3. JAYANAGARA PLATE (1,200M): BALTIMORE (Asirvatham) 1, Sorrento Secret (Ankit Pal) 2, Sunway Lagoon (A. Ramu) 3 and Sheer Bliss (Pavan) 4. 3/4, Nose and 4-1/4. 1m 11.88s. Rs. 22 (w), 15, 12 and 11 (p), SHP: 26, THP: 36, FP: 84, Q: 56, Trinella: 181/87, Exacta: 1,310/481. Favourite: Baltimore.
Owner: Mr. S. Thiruppathy. Trainer: Azhar Ali.

4. MAJ. SARDAR L. MAHADEVAIAH MEMORIAL TROPHY (1,200M): FALCON FURY (S. Imran) 1, Ocean (Antony) 2, Sherouk (Mukesh K) 3 and Natural Warrior (Ankit Pal) 4. 2, Lnk and 2-1/2. 1m 11.41s. Rs. 31 (w), 24, 14 and 10 (p), SHP: 27, THP: 31, FP: 54, Q: 26, Trinella: 189/89, Exacta: 1,039/616. Favourite: Ocean.
Owner: Col. Kuldeep Singh Garcha. Trainer: J. Ganesh.

5. MYSORE 1000 GUINEAS (1,600M): RAVISHING BEAUTY (Win Legend - Masquenada) Antony 1, Indian Brocade (Multitude - Anywaysmile) Suraj 2, Miracle Star (Excellent Art - Romantic Star) Sandesh 3 and Fourth Wing (Sanus Per Aquam - Centrestage) Trevor 4. 3/4, 1-1/4 and 2-3/4. 1m 34.86s. Rs. 70 (w), 13, 12 and 13 (p), SHP: 31, THP: 63, FP: 430, Q: 136, Trinella: 1,452/438, Exacta: 1,191/595. Favourite: Miracle Star.
Owners: Mr. K. Kaliyaperumal, M/s. DT Racing & Breeding LLP, M/s. Sarainaga Racing Pvt Ltd & Mr. Meka Yugandhar. Trainer: Prasanna Kumar.

6. M.B. APPAYA MEMORIAL TROPHY (1,400M): CONFIDENT GAME (Vinod Shinde) 1, Mazal Tov (Akshay K) 2, Spectacular (Suhas K) 3 and Kanya Rashi (Hindu S) 4. 3/4, 1/2 and 1/2. 1m 23.05s. Rs. 143 (w), 12, 10 and 39 (p), SHP; 17, THP: 59, FP: 293, Q: 106, Trinella: 2,472/3,885, Exacta: 20,819 (carried over). Favourite: Power Of Beauty.
Owner: Mr. Sunil Santhosh Serrao. Trainer: R. Helleal Moses.

7. HAVERI PLATE (1,200M): BORN DANCER (Shyam K) 1, Court Jester (Faiz) 2, Moonlight Queen (Antony) 3 and Grace (Suhas K) 4. 7-1/2, Nk and 3/4. 1m 10.47s. Rs. 205 (w), 35, 12 and 11 (p), SHP: 21, THP: 82, FP: 4,830, Q: 1,102, Trinella: 1,811/614, Exacta: 16,037/6,873. Favourite: Moonlight Queen.
Owner: Mr. Girish Byrappa. Trainer: Ranjeet Shinde.
Jackpot: Rs. 3,37,212 (carried over).
Runner-up: 24,086 (six tkts).
Mini Jackpot: 804 (carried over).
Treble (i): 425 (carried over); (ii): 1,386 (carried over).

G Venkatesh (left), Chairman & Senior Steward of Mysore Race Club Ltd, presenting The Mysore 1000 Guineas 2025 trophy to Debjani and Laavishka, both representing the owners of Ravishing Beauty. Others seen from left - Dr. M.V. Venu (Committee Member), K.T. Balakrishna IPS (R) (Steward), Trainer Prasanna Kumar and jockey Antony Raj. M A SRIRAM

KARNATAKA ROUND-UP

Himanshu, Shubham prop up MP

Himanshu Mantri (83, 110b, 10x4) and Shubham Sharma (66, 177b, 5x4, 1x6) propped up Madhya Pradesh on day one of the Dr (Capt.) K. Thimmappiah Memorial tournament final against KSCA Secretary's XI at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on Friday.
The duo came together for a fine 122-run partnership but the inability of either batter to carry on let Secretary's XI back in.
From 177 for two at one stage, MP reached 287 for six, with M. Venkatesh and Madhav P. Bajaj snaring two wickets each.

The scores (final): Madhya Pradesh 287/6 in 86.5 overs (Himanshu Mantri 83, Shubham Sharma 66) vs. KSCA Secretary's XI.

Arnav, Tamanna win titles

Arnav Mithun and Tamanna Nerlaje emerged the hopes category boys' and girls' champions respectively in the State-ranking table tennis tournament organised by JTTA in Bengaluru.
While Arnav beat Sharvil Karambelkar 12-10, 11-7, 9-11, 8-11, 11-6, Tamanna overcame Samanvi Sandeep Katambale 11-9, 14-12, 6-11, 11-9.

South United downs Bangalore City

South United FC beat Bangalore City FC 2-0 in the Super Division League football in Bengaluru on Friday.

The results: Sporting Club Bengaluru 1 (S. Nishanth 36) bt FC Agniputhra 0; Kickstart FC 2 (Saikhom Borish Singh 18, Ngairangbam Rakesh Singh 54) drew with Kodagu FC 2 (Subrahmanian (OG) 66, Muhammed Unais 90+5); South United FC 2 (Mohammed Kaif 64, Makak Mayum Daniyal 66 bt Bangalore City FC 0.

Alaskan Knights snap up Gukesh, Arjun for GCL-3

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MUMBAI

PBG Alaskan Knights pulled off a coup by acquiring the services of reigning World champion D. Gukesh and Arjun Erigasi, who defeated the legendary Magnus Carlsen in June, for the third season of the Global Chess League, to be played from December 13.

It confirmed the star-studded line-up for the marquee event.

The squads: American Gambits: Hikaru Nakamura, Richard Rapport, Vladislav Artemiev, Bibisara Assaubayeva, Teodora Injac, Volodar Murzin.

Alpine SG Pipers: Fabiano Caruana, Praggnanandhaa, Anish Giri, Hou Yifan, Nino Batsiashvili, Leon Mendonca.

Ganges Grandmasters: Viswanathan Anand, Javokhir Sindarov, Vincent Keymer, Stavroula Tsolakidou, Polina Shuvalova, Raunak Sadhwani

upGrad Mumba Masters: Maxime Vachier-Lagrave, Shakhriyar Mamedyarov, Wesley So, Koneru Humpy, Harika Dronavalli, Bardiya Daneshvar.

PBG Alaskan Knights: Gukesh, Arjun Erigaisi, Leinier Dominguez, Sara Khadem, Kateryna Lagno, Daniel Dardha.

Triveni Continental Kings: Alireza Firouzja, Yi Wei, Vidit Gujrathi, Alexandra Kosteniuk, Zhu Jiner, Marc'Andria Maurizzi.

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